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Developments Expected At Dombaas Junction MAIN ACTION IS DEVELOPING IN NORWAY

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OESTERSUND, TO-DAY

THE MAIN ACTION IN THE FIGHTING IN NORWAY IS NOW DEVELOPING ALONG THE RAILWAY FROM DOMBAAS TO TRONDHEIM; THE ALLIES WHO LANDED AT ANDALSNES ARE RAPIDLY PUSHING NORTH AND SOUTH PAST DOMBAAS.

To the south they have reached the outskirts of Lillehammer; to the north they are consolidating their positions at Ulsberg and Hjerkin.

The key position is Dombaas junction, where important developments are expected.

Meanwhile observers point out that military operations in Norway are still at a preliminary stage, with no established fronts or fixed battles.

One French officer declared the present operations are essentially tactical and strategical, with no actual defeat or victories.

R.A.F. BOMBERS TO FLY THE ATLANTIC

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
NEW YORK, TO-DAY.

THE "HERALD-TRIBUNE" REPORTS THAT A NUMBER OF LARGE BOMBING PLANES DESTINED FOR BRITAIN WILL BE FLOWN OVER THE ATLANTIC IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

The planes, built in Canada and the United States, will take off from Rattles airport, Newfoundland, and will fly 2,000 miles over the sea to England non-stop.

The types are the Lockheed Hudson, Handley-Page and Hampden, all of which are now being fitted with extra fuel tanks.—Havas.

NORWEGIAN WARSHIP BAGS 10 PLANES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Paris, To-day.

That Nazi planes are certainly not having everything their own way around Norway is shown by the fact that one Norwegian warship has accounted for no less than 10 German aeroplanes during the last week.—Havas.

WEATHER FORECAST.—North-east winds, moderate; fine generally, with probable morning fog.

IMMEDIATE PROBLEM

The immediate Allied problem, he added, was to pour in the maximum number of reinforcements and occupy first the chief railways, roads and towns and all points to which access is still free.

At the beginning, the Germans were favoured by their larger number of motorised elements but now the Allies are able to land on the west coast sufficient reinforcements and are also successfully resisting the Nazi air force.

Meanwhile the Allies are landing many planes and anti-aircraft guns and are feverishly preparing air bases in the fjords or on frozen lakes.—Havas.

FOUR-COLUMN ADVANCE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Stockholm, To-day.

Latest information from Norway indicates that four German columns are converging on the Allied positions between Dombaas and Trondheim.

The first column is advancing along the Gudbrands Valley where fighting has started at a point between Kvam, occupied by the Germans, and Otta, occupied by the Allies.

The second column is advancing along the road from the Oester Valley to Hjerkin. The Germans met strong Allied resistance seven kilometres from Hjerkin.

NAZIS SUSTAIN CASUALTIES

A third column is proceeding along the Tynset road towards Olsberg where Norwegian elements are resisting.

A fourth German detachment is advancing along the road from Roeros to Storoen.

Sporadic fighting is going on the Narvik sector, while on the Storoen front French and Norwegian troops are resisting the Germans who suffered some casualties yesterday.—Havas.

SECRET SESSION DEMAND

London, To-day.

Members of Parliament are expected to demand a secret session of the House of Commons to permit a frank discussion of the Norwegian situation, it is reported.

Mr. Chamberlain is expected to make a statement to-day, following his conference yesterday with Labour leaders.—Reuter.

B.E.F. HARRYING NAZI FORCES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Stockholm, To-day.

In an effort to stem the German advance up to Trondheim, British troops are said to be concentrated at Berkaak, Kvikne and other points on the Dombaas/Storoen front.

It is thought that the British hope, by harrying operations, to break up the

THEY HAVE IT ALL WORKED OUT

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
BERLIN, TO-DAY.

THE ALLIED ARMY IN NORWAY, EXCEPT AROUND NARVIK, WILL BE WIPE OUT TO A MAN WITHIN 10 DAYS—ACCORDING TO AUTHORITY NAZI SOURCES IN BERLIN.

German troops in the Gudbrands valley are "relentlessly closing in," say these same sources, and not a single Allied soldier will be alive or at freedom in Norway within 10 days except at Narvik.

These same sources say that the Allied position is "catastrophic!" They are (they say) deliberately understating the real extent of the operations "until the British Waterloo is complete!"

At the end of 10 days, they continue, German troops will be linked from Trondheim, Storoen and Roeros, after which the advance on Andalsnes will begin. German planes will bomb the British without cessation.—Reuter.

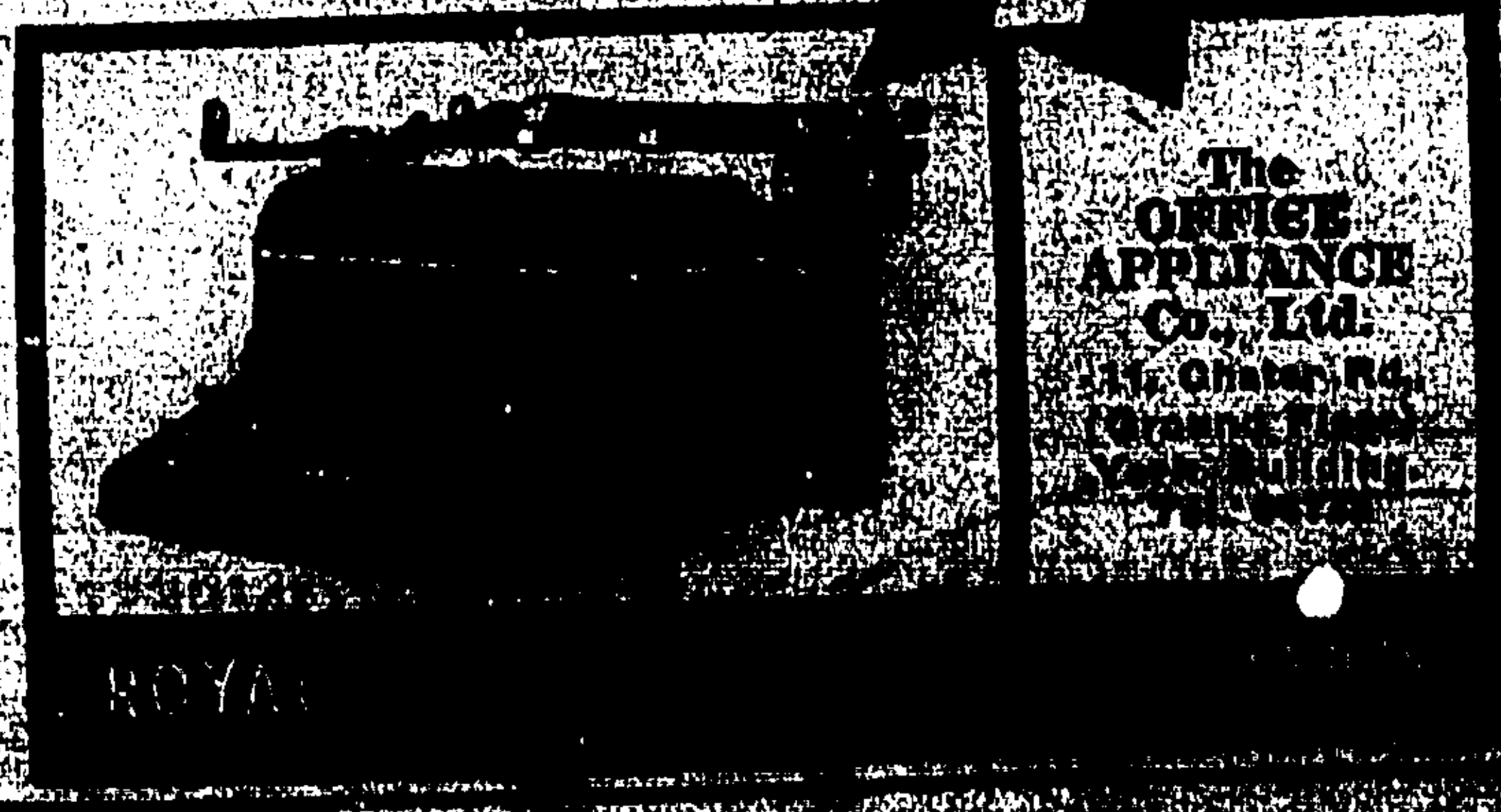
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OBVIOUS MORAL FOR NEUTRAL STATES

London, To-day.

THE BRITISH PRESS YESTERDAY was mainly concerned with the events in Norway. "The Times," for instance, says that it is now proved beyond doubt that Germany owes her present gains on Norwegian soil to the trickery and treachery that met her half-way from the Norwegian side itself. After speaking of the various forms of help the Quislings gave Germany, "The Times" says that the moral for neutral states is perfectly obvious — and in fact measures are being taken to give effect to it.

If one wishes to prevent the destruction of a country's independence by Nazi violence, one must prevent it from being undermined by Nazi stealth.

Discussing Sweden, the "Daily Express" quotes a passage from "Mein Kampf," in which Hitler said that "a clever conqueror will always impose his demands on the conquered by instalments."

Possibly Hitler is using this technique against Sweden. Sweden, of course, is entitled to decide her own policy and judge her own interests for herself. She has one trump card — the moment Hitler declares war the Swedish iron-ore mines could be wrecked. This is why Hitler hopes to conquer Sweden without fighting.

WILL BE WON IN FRANCE

The "Daily Mail" feels that although more men and equipment should be sent to Norway without stint or delay, the war will be finally won only in France.

On the other hand, the "Daily Herald" says that the campaign in Norway is of the first importance and any inclination to regard it as a side-show must be laid aside.

The "Glasgow Herald" takes a similar view to that of the "Daily Mail" and says that the result of the campaign in Norway will not be the decisive factor between the Allies and Germany, although it certainly will influence events elsewhere.—Reuter.

WOMEN HELD UP

Coming down the staircase of No. 14, Nanking Street at 3 p.m. yesterday a Chinese woman and her young daughter were held up by two men armed with daggers, and relieved of jewellery and money to the value of \$53.

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GETTING TO KNOW EACH OTHER

London, To-day.

The Board of Education, in a memorandum issued to schools, elaborates the first steps to be taken for the encouragement of wider understanding between the school children of France and Britain.

It is pointed out in the memorandum that by extending among the people of both countries, and especially the generation that will be growing up after the war, an understanding of each other's outlook and way of life, a bond of sympathy will be created that will lead to mutual appreciation of the many different qualities possessed by both peoples as well as of their cultural achievements and of the spiritual values in defence of which they fight.

It is the Board's aim to discover what are the best ways of preparing the ground and of sowing the seeds from which will spring in later life knowledge and understanding of France and her cultures.

Some account is given of the measures being taken in both countries to achieve this end. In France an exhibition van will tour the provinces with a display of objects illustrating Great Britain and her Empire. Special lessons are to be given in schools and publications dealing with different aspects of British life and literature are to be issued. Special programmes dealing with this country will also be broadcast by French stations.

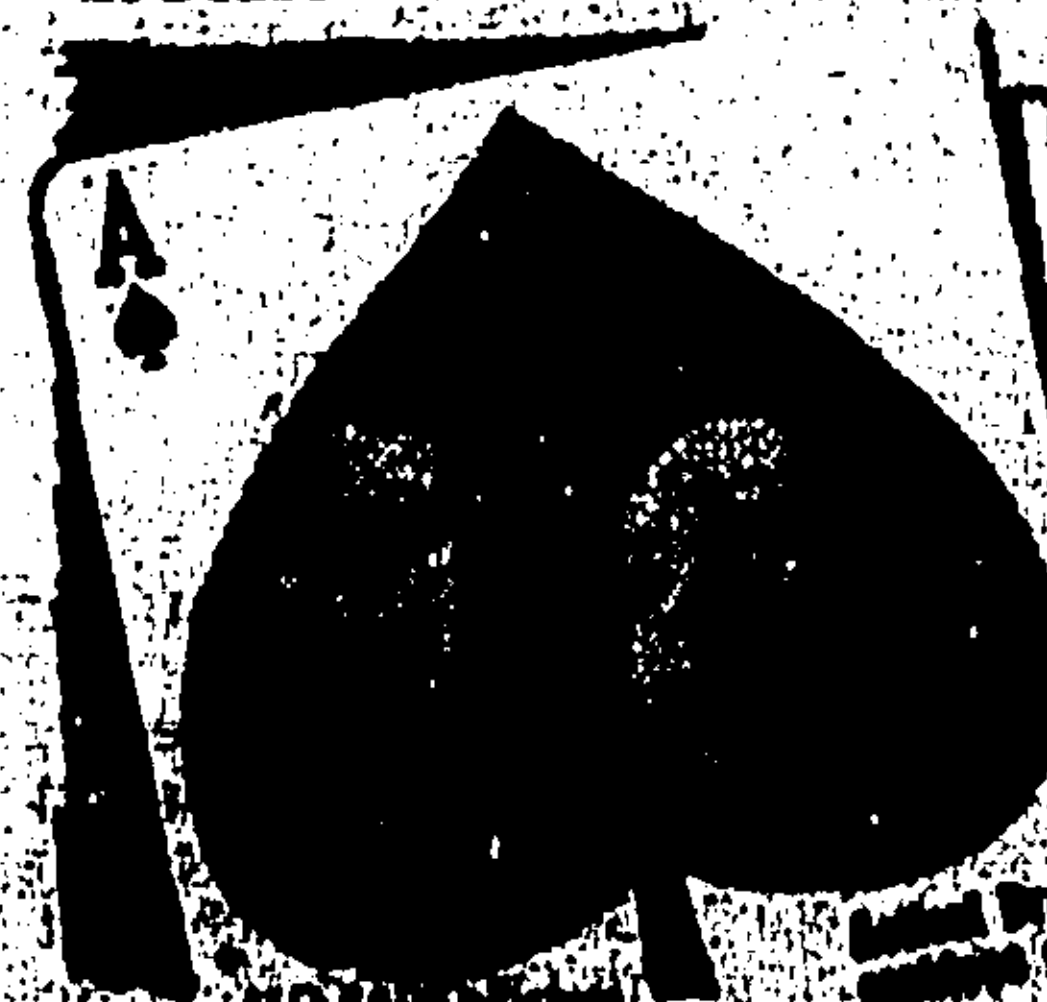
In this country special talks are now being broadcast to schools and the Board have undertaken to issue a series of leaflets advising on how best to make use of films or books on France or French newspapers or how to develop correspondence between children of the two countries.—British Wireless.

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JARDINE EMPLOYEE SENTENCED

APPEARING BEFORE MR. R. EDWARDS - AT THE CENTRAL MAGISTRACY THIS MORNING, KOO KA-MING, 25, CLERK, WAS SENTENCED TO NINE MONTHS' HARD LABOUR ON A CHARGE OF THE FRAUDULENT CONVERSION OF \$2,135.45, RECEIVED BY HIM ON BEHALF OF JARDINE, MATHESON AND COMPANY, LTD. BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 27, 1938 AND JANUARY 25 THIS YEAR.

The Rev. J. R. Higgs, of St. Andrew's Church, said Koo's conduct was disgraceful. He had known Koo for the past six years and he came from a respectable family. Defendant's father had been his church servant for 35 years, and was without a stain on his character. Koo had had a good record; he had been to the best school in the Colony, and was a Christian. It was a blow to Mr. Higgs when he found defendant in his present position.

Koo stole the money to help his family, continued Mr. Higgs. The family wanted to send their children to the best schools in Hong Kong and Koo gave most of his salary to the family every month.

Mr. Higgs asked for a lenient view to be taken.

Sentence of nine months' hard labour was imposed.

Mr. P. Wynter-Blyth appeared for the prosecution, with Detective Sergeant Brooks representing the Police.

SOLDIERS' ESCAPE

Private Nesbit, of the 1st Battalion, Middlesex Regiment, has informed the Police that while Cpl. French was driving lorry No. 5646 along Stanley Beach yesterday he lost control of the vehicle when round a bend. Eight soldiers were on the back of the lorry, but they all jumped to safety. Cpl. French was thrown out and received injuries to his head and body, while Pte. Collins received injuries to his back when jumping from the lorry.

TWICE SENTENCED TO DEATH

TO BE TWICE SENTENCED TO DEATH BY THE SAME JUDGE IN THE SAME COURT WITHIN 14 MONTHS, WAS THE UNFORTUNATE EXPERIENCE OF A 32-YEAR-OLD CHINESE, LI SHEK-NAM.

In March, 1939, he was sentenced to death for the murder of a money-changer. The sentence was later commuted to life imprisonment by His Excellency the Governor.

This morning at the Criminal Sessions, he stood in the dock to receive his second sentence of death—this time for the murder of a fellow-prisoner in the Stanley Prison.

It was alleged that accused attacked Lau Cheun with a dagger in Stanley Prison on February 9 and as a result of the wound, Lau died in the Queen Mary Hospital on March 9.

It was suggested by the Crown that revenge was the motive of the attack, as Lau turned King's Evidence against accused last year and this resulted in his conviction for the previous alleged murder.

Summing up this morning, the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, referred to a law which dated back to the reign of Queen Elizabeth.

That law, Sir Atholl said, has never been changed. If a person who has been attacked refuses to be operated on and dies, or dies while under operation, it is, murder or manslaughter, according to the circumstances under which the fatal blow had been administered.

Mr. G. P. Murphy, Assistant Crown Solicitor, appeared for the prosecution, and Li was defended by Mr. G. She, instructed by Mr. M. A. da Silva. Jury were Messrs. R. P. Phillips (Foreman), M. Zak, J. C. Gardner, Tang King-man, U. Shiu-ki, Chen King-shing and Lau Chau-kwok.

Mrs. J. F. Castro, of No. 25, Hankow Road, was treated at the Kowloon Hospital, after she had been bitten by a dog owned by Mrs. Ho Yu of No. 17, Belfram Road, yesterday. The dog was sent to Matakok for observation.

Cpl. French and Pte. Collins were both treated at the Military Hospital.

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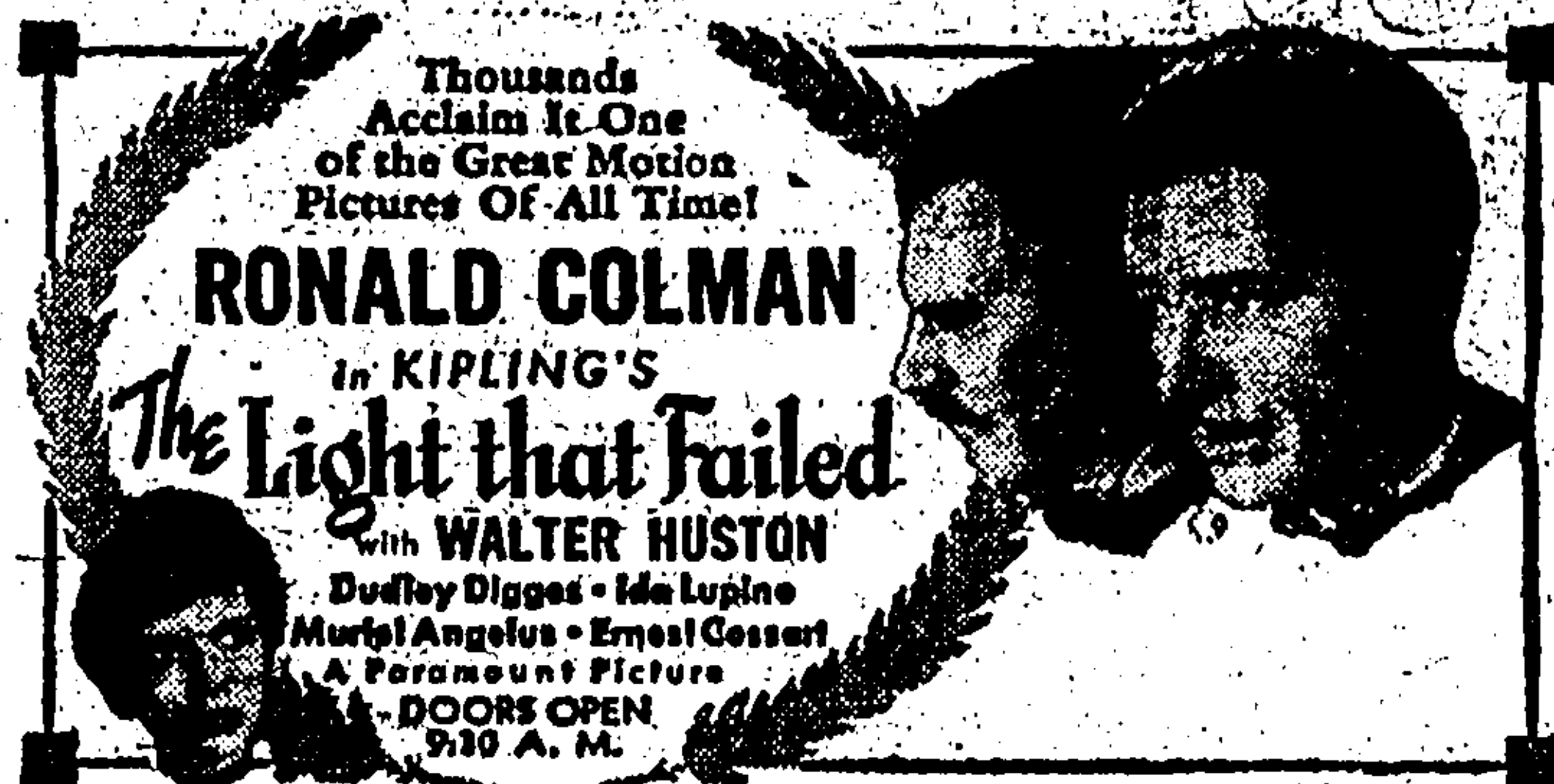
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YUGO-SLAVIAN WARNING

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SCOUTING OVER FORTIFICATIONS

Belgrade, To-day.

IT IS UNDERSTOOD THAT repeated flights by German planes over Yugo-Slavia's northern frontier in the past seven weeks were the main reason for the Government announcement that in future foreign military planes violating the frontier will be fired upon.

Recently eight German planes crossed the frontier in one day; it is believed they were scouting to obtain details of the Yugo-Slav fortifications.

Most of the flights occurred in the Mairbor region, which is the centre of the German minority and Nazi propaganda.

When the Yugo-Slav consul at Klagenfurt (Austria) protested, he was informed that the pilots were training and had lost their way.

ITALIAN RUMOURS

Rumours that Italian planes have been seen flying across the Adriatic, reconnoitring fortifications on the Dalmatian coast, are believed to be untrue.

They probably arose from the fact that an Italian plane which had run out of fuel crashed near Susak recently. — Reuter.

OPPOSITION LEADERS AT NO. 10

London, To-day.

Mr. Attlee and Mr. Greenwood, Leader and Deputy Leader of the Opposition, saw the Prime Minister yesterday afternoon. The meeting is in continuation of the practice of keeping the leaders of the Opposition informed of the war situation.

Later Mr. Chamberlain saw the Liberal Leader in the House of Lords and Sir Percy Harris who represented the Liberal Leader in the Commons, Sir Archibald Sinclair being in Scotland. — British Wireless.

Mrs. R. Abosh, of No. 12, Hillwood Road, has reported that while she was walking in Nelson Street yesterday a Chinese approached her from behind and snatched her handbag, which contained money and jewellery valued at \$28.40.

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BANK OF NORWAY FUNCTIONING

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Stockholm, To-day.

National Bank of Norway has opened a head office "somewhere in Norway." The new management is headed by Arnold Restad, former Foreign Minister. — Havas.

THEFT FROM CAR

Clothing to the value of \$30 was reported to have been stolen from private car No. 5325, parked near Statue Square, yesterday; the clothing belonged to Mr. Ford, of the Tai-koo Docks.

BITTEN BY OWN DOG

Mr. A. R. Ellis, of the Claremont Hotel, was treated at the Kowloon Hospital for injuries to the hand, after being bitten by his own dog while playing with the animal in his bedroom at the Hotel yesterday.

FELL FROM HOTEL

The body of a 46-year-old Chinese, Wong Chun, who fell from the roof of the Empress Hotel, Des Vaux Road Central, was taken to the Public Mortuary yesterday.

AUSTRALIAN PREMIER'S APPEAL TO ITALY

Sydney, To-day.

AN APPEAL FROM AUSTRALIA for a better understanding between Italy and the British Empire was made by Mr. Menzies, the Premier, in a speech inaugurating the new series of broadcasts on the 25-metre band from Sydney last night.

"Between you and us there exists a well-established friendship based on mutual respect," Mr. Menzies said. But to-day war had come over the world and almost every nation looked upon the struggle with anxiety. No nation was in a better position than Italy to understand the fate of Norway and Denmark and the fears of other neutral states threatened with aggression.

In common with all members of the British Empire, Mr. Menzies concluded, "we are determined to make a stand against aggression, and I am fully convinced that the things we are fighting for are of such importance that we shall have your sympathy in our struggle." — Reuter.

MR. STEINHARDT LEAVES MOSCOW

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Moscow, To-day.

Mr. Laurence Steinhardt, the United States Ambassador, left for Washington on holiday. He will pass through Bucharest and Genoa. — Havas.

BELGIAN NAZIS RAIDED

Brussels, To-day.

Steps are still being taken to suppress subversive activity in Belgium.

Yesterday, the Eupen police raided five homes suspected of secret Nazi tendencies and several booklets were seized. — Reuter.

HUGE U.S. AIRCRAFT EXPORTS

Washington, To-day.

Aircraft exports for the first quarter of this year are valued approximately at \$66,750,000, representing an increase of 225 per cent. over the corresponding period last year, according to a statement by the Department of Commerce yesterday.

Ten of 70 purchasers took 94 per cent. of the total.

France heads the list with purchases totalling approximately \$33,000,000. Others were Australia (\$7,750,000), the United Kingdom (\$7,500,000), Canada (\$4,500,000), Finland (\$3,000,000), Sweden (\$2,250,000), Turkey (\$1,500,000), Norway (\$1,500,000), China (\$1,250,000), Dutch East Indies (\$750,000).

March exports totalled \$20,750,000, which was the third largest monthly total ever recorded, being exceeded only by those of last December and January. — Reuter.

AN EMPIRE GATHERS IN EGYPT

Cairo, To-day.

Britain's Middle East army received other Empire contingents yesterday when the first contingent of the Rhodesian Territorial Force arrived at Suez.

Some of the force is being drafted to England but most of it will stay out here. The contingent contains personnel of the Artillery, Engineers, Signals, Armoured Cars, Infantry and Machinegunners.

The Rhodesians, including officers, will hold concurrent rank in the Middle East army, although still belonging to the Rhodesian Territorial Force. In the last war the majority of them were affiliated with the King's Royal Rifle Corps and as a matter of sentiment members of the present force will, where possible, be drafted into this regiment.

A percentage of the Rhodesian contingent are all potential leaders who will be trained for commissions.

The extraordinary array of varied British uniforms is changing the aspect of Cairo's strolling population as contingents assemble from every corner of the Empire. Even the battle-dress from England has now appeared. — Reuter.

MOSLEM RESOLUTION

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

LONDON, TO-DAY.

A MESSAGE FROM DELHI STATES THAT THE COMMITTEE OF THE PAN-INDIAN MOSLEM INDEPENDENT CONFERENCE UNANIMOUSLY VOTED A RESOLUTION OPPOSING THE POLITICAL DISMEMBERMENT OF INDIA.

The resolution, which was suggested by the President of the Committee, states that India needs geographical and political homogeneity being indiscriminately the home of all citizens regardless of race or religion.

It concludes that Moslems must realise that they have the same responsibilities as any other inhabitants of India. — Havas.

WEATHER REPORT

The Royal Observatory reports that a weak anticyclonic area extends from South China to the Pacific east of the Bonins, where pressure is highest; it is relatively low over Manchuria and the southern China Sea.

ANGLO-ITALIAN TRADE TALKS DISCUSSED

London, To-day.

THE POSSIBILITY OF RENEWING trade talks between Britain and Italy, suspended last February, was discussed at a week-end conversation between Lord Halifax and Signor Bastianini, the Italian Ambassador, it is understood.

The conversation is said to have been most friendly, and if the position develops satisfactorily the British Government will send officials to Rome to continue the trade talks there. Mr. Playfair, the Treasury expert, who recently returned from Italy, will accompany any such delegation. It is understood that the question of the British contraband control was also discussed and that Lord Halifax assured the Italian Ambassador of Britain's anxiety to do everything possible in connection with any difficulties that the Italian Government might put forward. — Reuter.

German Attacks Break Down Against An Energetic Defence

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE POSITION IN THE GUDBRANDS VALLEY REMAINS UNCHANGED, STATES A WAR COMMUNIQUE ISSUED YESTERDAY EVENING. HEAVY GERMAN AIR ATTACKS HAVE BEEN CARRIED OUT ON ANDALSNES AND MOLDE, WHILE THERE HAS BEEN PATROL ACTIVITY IN THE NAMSOS SECTOR. THERE IS NOTHING FURTHER TO REPORT FROM NARVIK.

This communique confirms messages from Stockholm suggesting that the Germans have made no progress in the past 24 hours. These reports indicate that in the Gudbrands Valley the German forces are facing strong Allied positions near Otta, some miles south of Dombaas.

In the Oester Valley, reports agree that the Germans have occupied Roeros but are being held up several miles beyond it by the destruction of a bridge by the Norwegians.

Some reports state that the Germans have attempted to get motor-cycle units across with the use of rubber bands which the soldiers can drag across the bridge.

Further progress north of Roeros would bring the Germans to Storen, which is south of Trondheim and marks the junction of the railways from the Gudbrands and Oster valleys. Both Storen and Dombaas are in Allied hands and the Allies are also said to have taken positions along the line between the two towns.

The ability to hold the line will be of great importance if reports of the latest German moves are confirmed; these reports say that the Germans have sent parties out from two points in the Oster Valley to cross the mountains and cut the line.

VAGUE REPORTS

There is one quite good motor road which would bring them out not far south of Storen, although it is probably under heavy snow drifts.

Other reports speak of Nazi detachments cutting across country south of Dombaas, Hjerkin being mentioned. Reports, still very vague, talk of engagements with Allied troops near there.

The salient feature is that the Nazi main advance up the two main valleys is being held up for the present, while north of Trondheim both the Germans and the Allies are reinforcing their defence positions just north of Steinkjer.

The vital question for both sides is that of the arrival of reinforcements.

Sunday's War Office communique stated that the Allies had landed more troops at Andalsnes despite air attacks, and Stockholm reports state that these reinforcements are arriving ever more quickly.

GERMAN LOSSES AT SEA

The Germans have also landed more reinforcements at Oslo, Stockholm messages state. These reinforcements

have evaded Allied mines and submarines in the Kattegat—but not without loss.

An Admiralty communique yesterday reported that three more German supply ships had been torpedoed and sunk while on their way to Norway, while unofficial Swedish reports tell of the loss of a 3,000-ton ship, believed to have hit a mine between the Danish island of Zealand and the Swedish coast.—Reuter.

Fighting Spreads

Stockholm, To-day.

The Germans pushing across mountainous country south of Trondheim have been hotly engaged by the Allied forces at two new points, according to latest despatches.

Fighting is reported from Hjerkin, on the railway north of Dombaas, and Kvikne, north-east of Hjerkin.

Checked by British troops on their direct line of advance up the Gudbrands Valley, the Germans sent two motorised detachments along the only two possible roads from the Oester Valley with the aim of cutting the railway behind the British positions. The first of these roads runs over the Foll Valley to Hjerkin, which is held by Allied troops who have been reinforced to meet the German move.

At the same time the Norwegians are resisting the Germans at Kvikne, which is on the second road.

ATTACKS BROKEN.

Details of the fighting at both points is lacking but a big-scale encounter is expected.

In the Gudbrands Valley itself the German attacks around Kvan, supported by planes and artillery, are stated to have been broken against the energetic British defence.

The British are reported to be holding excellent defensive positions centring on a bottleneck in the valley.

GERMAN AIR ACTIVITY

Many German planes have been seen flying north over the Roeros district, indicating a continuous stream

RIBBENTROP PROPAGANDA

TOKYO, TO-DAY.

COMMENTING ON VON RIBBENTROP'S SPEECH, THE NEWSPAPER "ASAHI SHIMBUN" SAYS THAT IT WAS OBVIOUSLY INTENDED FOR INTERNAL CONSUMPTION ONLY.

The increasing distress of the German wartime economy, the paper goes on, compels the German authorities to strengthen the people's fighting spirit.

Unceasing propaganda is necessary to persuade them that Germany is winning the war and that the Allies were responsible for it.

It is from this angle that Ribbentrop's statement must be considered.—Reuter.

EMPIRE AIR SCHEME

Toronto, To-day.

The British Commonwealth air training plan came into operation yesterday with the entrance into the number one training school near here of 169 aviation recruits.

In the long low buildings of what was once a famous club the Canadians began a month's work preliminary to undergoing specialised training as pilots, gunners and observers.—Reuter.

FRENCH HOLIDAY

The office of the French Consulate will be closed to the general public on Thursday, May 2, the Feast of the Ascension of Our Lord.

of troops is being sent to Trondheim by air.

Allied reinforcements south of Trondheim are still being bombed by German aircraft but A.A. guns are now forcing the raiders to an altitude of 9,000 feet, so they are no longer free to attack as they would like.—Reuter.

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AMAZING FEATS OF R.A.F. AIRMEN IN NORWAY

London, To-day.

DETAILS OF THE WORK of the Coastal Command of the R.A.F. on the Norwegian coast were given to Reuter by a Squadron-Commander who stated that a reconnaissance plane observed a U-boat lying at the edge of a Fjord. The plane flew low and dropped bombs which found their mark and the submarine, if not destroyed, was certainly damaged.

Coastal Command planes have thoroughly investigated and photographed every fjord and much good work was done in dropping light and incendiary bombs. Several German machines, including a Messerschmidt 110, were destroyed or damaged on Norwegian air bases and a number of petrol dumps fired, though generally speaking the work of the unit was to act more as a deterrent than a destroying force.

British plane losses during the last busy month were surprisingly small. Giving examples of the initiative, resource and pluck of his men, the Commander mentioned a Sergeant-Pilot who lost contact with the squadron, made a lone raid on Stavanger, destroyed one plane, and damaged two.

AMAZING FEAT

On his way home he spotted a German seaplane lying in a fjord. He flew low, dropped his remaining bombs on it, apparently damaging it. Later he was intercepted by a Junker 88 which he drove off and returned safely to his base.

When the petrol tank of another British plane was perforated by bullets from an enemy plane, the captain of the flight crawled along the plane and stuffed plasticine in the holes enabling the machine to reach its base four hundred miles away.—Reuter.

The Sunderland flyingboats (says British Wireless) are some of the largest service aeroplanes in use. Weighing over twenty tons and with a wing span just over 112 feet, the crew of ten carry out reconnaissance flights lasting fourteen to sixteen hours. They are able to carry out shallow bombing dives, as several submarines know to their cost. Their heavy armament (they have two multigunned power operated turrets) make them a formidable proposition even for the nimble Messerschmidt 110 although their top speed is only 210 m.p.h. against the German fighter's 370 m.p.h. These

boats are very manoeuvrable in spite of their great size and are a development of the well known "Empire" class flyingboat of commercial fame. Attached to the Coastal Command, these aircraft have taken part in the Command's activities which include conveying merchant ships against air attack, and it is the Command's proud boast that an air-escorted convoy has never yet lost a ship. The Sunderlands, which were used to land experts who preceded the British troops landing in Norway after the German invasion, have also co-operated with other branches of the Air Force and Navy in driving off practically all German vessels from between Bergen and Trondheim.

DODGES BOMBS IN A DINGHY

London, To-day.

The Air Ministry announces that a Sunderland flyingboat of the Coastal Command of the R.A.F. recently encountered and shot down a Messerschmidt 110 fighter.

The captain of the Sunderland, a type which is known as the "flying battleship" was on board a warship in a Norwegian fjord when the Sunderland was attacked by half a dozen Junkers planes.

The captain rowed in a dinghy to the flyingboat, and got on board with bombs dropping around.

DODGED THE BOMBS

He taxied the giant machine about to dodge the bombs and finally rose into the air, engaging a Messerschmidt and shooting it down.

The wreckage of the Nazi fighter was found by a ground party.—Reuter.

LOAN SUBSCRIBED IN A FEW MINUTES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Stockholm, To-day.

The new 500,000,000 crowns defence loan was subscribed within a few minutes yesterday. The Royal Family subscribed 500,000 crowns.—Hayas.

An afternoon of Bridge and Mahjong has been arranged by the Entertainment Committee of the British War Organisation Fund to be held on May 30 at 3 p.m. at the Peak Club. Those wishing to take a table are asked to communicate with Mrs. J. H. R. Hanco at Peak Mansions.

U.S.A. TO DISCARD ANTIQUES

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.

AS HE CONSIDERS THE COMMERCIAL TREATY STRUCTURE OF THE UNITED STATES TO BE "ANTIQUE," MR. CORDELL HULL, SECRETARY OF STATE, HAS AUTHORIZED THE STATE DEPARTMENT TO UNDERTAKE WHOLESALE NEGOTIATIONS FOR NEW TREATIES.

Advance discussions have already begun with some countries.

Officials declared yesterday that a preliminary survey showed commercial treaty ties with most nations were not only out of date but were museum pieces. For instance, the treaty with Great Britain dates back to 1815.

The State Department will endeavour to obtain unconditional most favoured nation treatment under new treaties.—Reuter.

RHODESIA'S PART

London, To-day.

In the coming year Southern Rhodesia intends to contribute a million and a half pounds to the cost of the war.

Reports of the speech in which the Finance Minister introduced his Budget into Legislative Assembly show this amount will be required to cover all internal defence measures in the colony, including training army personnel, certain expenditure in connection with the army and air force personnel of the Southern Rhodesian forces in the British Army and R.A.F., the full cost of maintaining the Southern Rhodesian field survey unit and any other units retaining their identity while serving overseas, and a contribution towards the capital and maintenance costs of three flying training schools being set up in Southern Rhodesia.

Mr. Tredgold, Minister of Defence, Justice and Air, discussed these arrangements when he was in London last February.—British Wireless.

GERMANS SUFFERING LOSSES

Gothenburg, To-day.

A fugitive from Oslo has told a Gothenburg paper that civilian patients have been moved out of Oslo hospitals to make room for Nazi soldiers. Convoys of ambulances arrive nightly.—Reuter.

WAR OFFICE DENIAL

London, To-day.

It is officially denied in London that Indian troops have gone to Norway or that there is any intention of sending them there.

This is in reply to a Nazi radio broadcast alleging that the British were using Indian troops in Norway.—Reuter.

The Chinese Industrial Co-operatives are to give a Dinner Dance and Cabaret in the Rose Room, Peninsula Hotel, on Friday, May 17, from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Entertainment will be provided by Solange Renie (Madame Sings), Miss Violet, two ten-year old pupils of Miss Daisy O'Keefe, Miss Rosita Wu, and Master Billy Yee, Miss Gloria Yee and Mr. Thomas Lee.

FLEET AIR ARM ACTIVE IN NORWAY

London, To-day.

The fighter planes of the Fleet Air Arm have played an important part in recent operations in Norway.

Aircraft carriers have been based near enough to the scene of operations to be effective and so far have been able to evade all German attacks on them.—Reuter.

AMERICAN SHIPPING PROSPERITY

Washington, To-day.

Figures issued by the Treasury Department show United States shipping has reached the highest in 10 years despite the Neutrality Act.

Some 1,042 vessels carried 2,562,000 tons of cargo to foreign destinations during January and February compared with 930 ships carrying 2,264,000 tons during the same months in 1939.

United States shipments of copper to Russia declined abruptly since January, possibly partly owing to fears of seizure as contraband on the ground that it might be destined for Germany.

Shipments in March totalled 5,584,000 tons and shipments in February, 6,408,000 tons as compared with 2,603,000 in January.

There were no shipments during the same months last year.—Reuter.

FRONTIER VETERANS IN NORWAY

London, To-day.

In the fighting now taking place in the steeply mountainous country of central Norway the British authorities are using army officers who have had experience of soldiering in mountainous parts of the Empire and particularly in Northern India. There is, however, no intention of sending Indian troops which are accustomed to warmer climates and therefore are less suited than Englishmen for a campaign in northern latitudes.—British Wireless.

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Anglo-Russian Relations

Kremlin Willing To Open Trade Negotiations ON CERTAIN CONDITIONS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

WELL-INFORMED QUARTERS state that the Soviet Ambassador, M. Ivan Maisky, handed to the Foreign Secretary, Lord Halifax, a Note expressing willingness to examine the possibilities of a normalisation of Anglo-Soviet trade but denying Britain the right to interfere with Soviet-German trade.

Regarding the question of the Soviet re-exporting British goods to Germany, the Soviet Note states Moscow is ready to open negotiations.

British opinion is that acceptance of the Soviet conditions would prevent Britain lessening Soviet-German trade.

The Soviet Note was a reply to the British Note which answered the Soviet Government's original offer to resume the trade parleys.

Political circles are disappointed at the Soviet reply.

It had been hoped Russia would allow free competition in the Soviet market, in which case Britain would have tried, through heavy purchases of Russian goods, to reduce the amount of Russian goods available for Germany.

STAGE FURTHER

In order to do this Britain would need to be informed of Russian transactions with Germany. The Russian refusal to supply such information prevents Britain from regulating her purchases with Russia upon Russian sales to Germany.

It is expected Britain will carefully study the Russian position and will ask Moscow for more detailed information.—Havas.

TICKET RACKET

Charged with larceny by false pretences of 90 cents from Cheung Kui, 18, and Tang Hing, 26, at Yaumati Railway Station on Sunday, Lam On, 29, was given three months' hard labour by Mr. E. Himsforth at Kowloon Magistracy this morning.

Accused was alleged to have offered to buy tickets for complainants when the Station was crowded. After obtaining money he gave them each a ticket which had expired the previous day.

NAZI REQUISITIONING IN DENMARK

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Stockholm, To-day.

The German authorities have decided to requisition throughout Denmark 40,000 tons of grain and fodder. All farms must give the German authorities a percentage of their production and will be allowed to retain quantities only necessary for their own needs.—Havas.

In view of the war-tax, and to aid Chinese firms to change their old system of keeping accounts into a modern form in order to meet the requirements of levying war-tax, Mr. H. K. Xew, A. F. T. Com., F.F.C.S., the Principal of H. K. Commercial Institute, and his staff, are giving free tuition in a rapid course of modernised Chinese Accounting. Night classes are to be formed on May 10 and June 1 from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m. and will take probably about two months to complete. Candidates have only to pay for the provision of stationery, reference leaflets, and text-books.

BRITISH TOMMY ARRESTED

Shanghai, April 25.
Private Christopher William Seotham of the 1st Battalion, The Seaforth Highlanders, who escaped from the detention camp in Tifeng Road on April 7, was arrested yesterday morning. Seotham will be tried in accordance with the normal procedure of British Military Law.

RUSO-FINN BORDER SETTLED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Moscow, To-day.

A Russo-Finnish protocol, establishing the new border, was signed yesterday by M. Molotov, Foreign Commissar, and M. Passikivi, Soviet Minister.—Havas.

NAZI FLAG DRIVEN OFF COAST OF NORWAY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

"THERE IS PRACTICALLY no more shipping along the Norwegian coast except for our warships," stated an R.A.F. squadron-leader who has just returned from Norway.

He added: "The Germans no doubt are getting reinforcements up-country by air and of course they are putting some shipping across the Skagerrak, but they are not having things their own way.

"So far not one Allied convoy protected from the air has been hit in Nazi raids."

He concluded by saying that Namsos had been entirely destroyed by German raids.

"For our part we have carried out about a dozen raids on Stavanger and Bergen. These were harassing raids, with machinegun fire and incendiary bombs."—Havas.

PRISONERS IN SPAIN EARN REMISSION

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Madrid, To-day.

The many thousands of Spanish Republican prisoners in Spain are now allowed to earn a remission of their sentences by working in gaol.

Every day they work counts as two days in prison, says the newspaper Redencion.

They must, however, first express their resolution "to aid the great task of Nationalist Spain."

They are paid one and a half pesetas—about ninepence—a day, which is given to their families.

Of those in gaol, 11,281 have volunteered to do this work for the sake of their families. The majority are prisoners in Madrid.

Many must have refused "to aid the great task of Nationalist Spain," as there are many more than 12,000 Republicans in gaol.—Havas.

GERMAN-SWEDISH TRADE TALKS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Stockholm, To-day.

The German-Swedish trade talks in Stockholm have ended and will be resumed in Berlin in the near future.—Havas.

WARSHIPS FOR N.E.I.

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Amsterdam, To-day.

A report from Batavia says that a bill providing for the construction of three 27,000-ton battle-cruisers for the defence of the East Indies was approved unanimously by the People's Council.

The Nationalists, however, abstained from voting.

A tanker and several other vessels will be built, in addition to the battle-cruisers, and the naval base at Sourabaya will be improved.—Havas.

NOT PROFESSIONAL DIPLOMATIST

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Rome, To-day.

The appointment of Dino Alfieri as Ambassador in Berlin is generally considered as an effort to show the outer world that Italo-German relations have been strengthened, as Signor Alfieri is noted for his pro-German sympathies.

Nevertheless Signor Alfieri is not considered a professional diplomat. He is a literary critic and has signed several agreements aiming at tightening the cultural bonds between the two countries.—Havas.

CANADIAN MINISTER IN PARIS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Paris, To-day.

Mr. Norman McLeod Rodgers, the Canadian Minister for National Defence, arrived yesterday morning at Le Bourget aerodrome, where he was met by the Canadian Ambassador.—Havas.

GERMAN PROPAGANDA HARD AT WORK

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Paris, To-day.

GERMAN PROPAGANDA IS trying to make public opinion believe that Italy has already decided to enter the European conflict and that pressure is being exerted on Rome.

The latest speeches of German leaders have been devoted to the subject of Italy. Two days ago a speech by Robert Ley, the leader of the German Labour Front, unequivocally stated: "We know the Italian and German peoples will help each other and bring about a victorious end to the war."

Recently rumours from German sources have been widely spread all over Europe.

NO POPULAR SUPPORT

They stated that Italy had called up several classes of reserves.

Italy had ordered the establishment of a secret area which would serve as the base for an expeditionary force; and that

Italy had concentrated large war supplies in Adriatic harbours.

All these rumours were later officially denied.

The impression prevailing here is that the German and Italian press has embarked on large-scale agitation, but so far foreign observers residing in Italy fail to see popular support for this propaganda.—Havas.

JAP. TROOP-TRAIN BLOWN UP

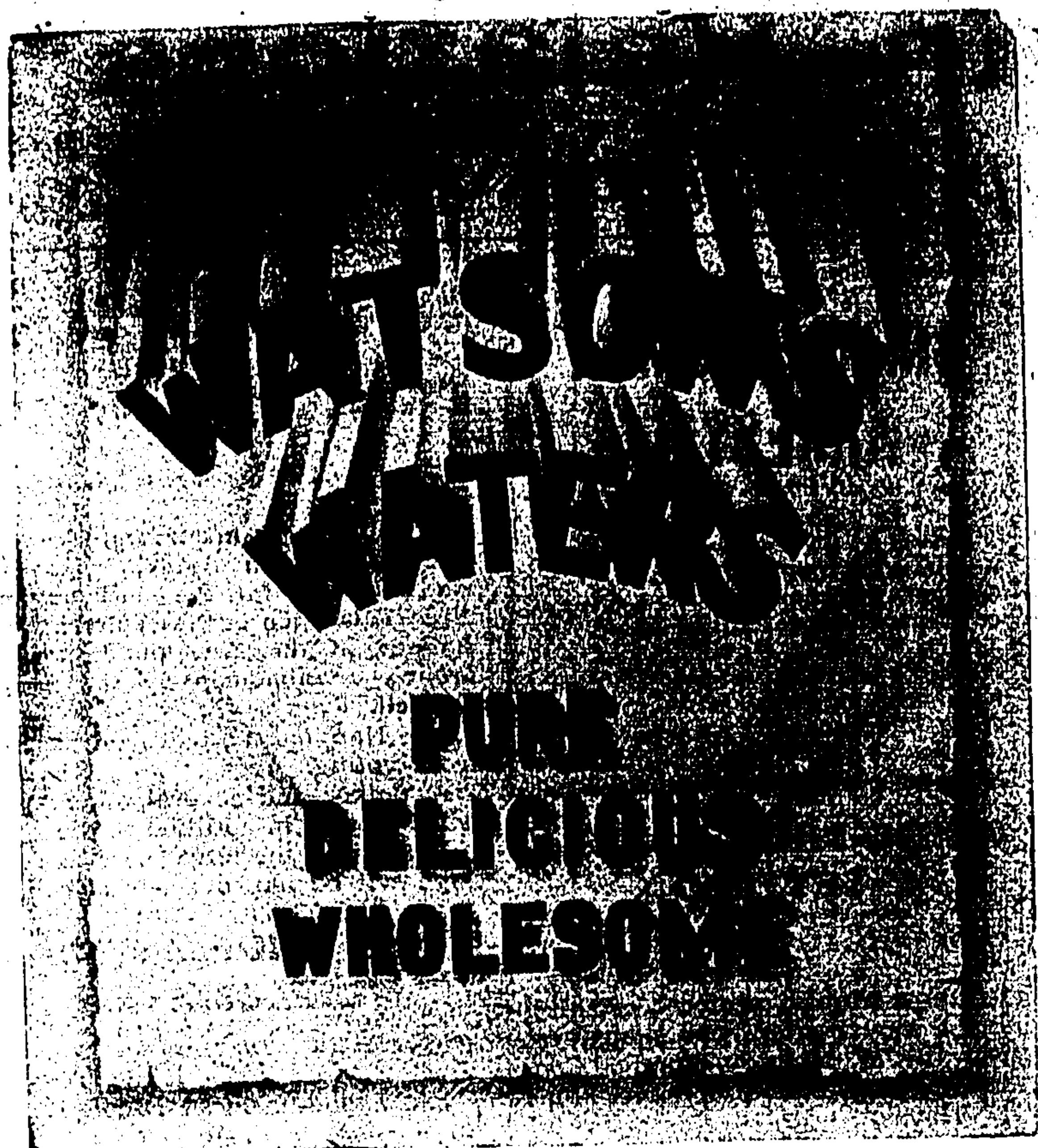
Changsha, To-day.

About 300 Japanese officers and men were killed and wounded on April 24 when a Japanese northbound train was blown up by a Chinese mine laid at a point seven miles from Yunki station on the Canton-Hankow Railway, 14 miles north of Yoyang.

The locomotive and eight coaches were wrecked.—Central News.

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NO EFFECT ON BRITISH ECONOMY

London, To-day.
The Stockholm "Allenhanda" states: The reasons for the German attacks on Norway cannot have been economic for Britain can only be blockaded in the Atlantic—the loss of Scandinavia does not affect the British economy.

From a strategic viewpoint, what benefit can Germany derive from bases in Norway when the number of her surface vessels has been reduced by 50 per cent? There are somewhat better possibilities for submarines but construction of submarine bases is a lengthy task.

The Norwegian campaign must not be expected to be short and decisive. Russia appears to be prepared to observe the Moscow peace and no difficulties remain unsolved between Russia and Finland. Stalin's unpleasant experience in the Finnish war has taught him to be more careful in future. The Finnish war made Russia more dependent on Germany, and, immediately the war was concluded, Russia became less friendly with Germany and denied all reports of a Rome-Berlin-Moscow triangle.

Now Britain, having promised Finland that the former frontiers will be restored, is negotiating with Russia and doubtless political discussions will also be carried on.

M. Ivan Maisky, Soviet Ambassador to London, cannot fail to point out Russian interest in Aalands Harbour. —Reuter.

NAZIS USE THEIR OLD TECHNIQUE

London, To-day.
Reuter's military correspondent says the Germans are now employing in Norway the technique which was successful in Poland.

They hope to dislocate Allied communications by bombarding railway junctions and quays while bombers flying low drop barrages of bombs to prevent reserves arriving.

More than anything they wish to prevent the landing of anti-aircraft guns, for without interference from these they can fly very low.

Reports indicate, however, that the Allies have landed many batteries of anti-aircraft guns and thus the positions of their bases is more stabilized.

It is certain that the Allied position at Narvik is daily becoming stronger as communications remain uninterrupted and the Allies are able to work with freedom of movement. —Reuter.

GERMANY EXPLAINS

LONDON, TO-DAY.
AS ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY, THE GERMAN RADIO ON SUNDAY NIGHT ISSUED A WARNING TO GERMAN SHIPS TO KEEP AWAY FROM TWO "DANGER AREAS" OFF THE EAST COAST OF GERMANY.

The first broadcast made it appear as though it was an official German announcement, but subsequently the German radio said that the information had come from the Estonian radio at Tallinn.

It is interesting to note that one of these areas is at the mouth of the Estonian port of Baltika, now a Soviet naval base. The other is off

JUST ABOUT AS EASY

London, To-day.
Commenting on the fact that Ribbentrop failed to mention Denmark in his speech, the Labour "Daily Herald" says that it would have been just about as easy for Denmark to withstand the might of the German Army as for Ribbentrop to convince the world he is telling the truth! —Reuter.

BRITAIN TO PROTEST TO SWEDEN?

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
London, To-day.

The Swedish authorities have prohibited the distribution of the British news bulletin prepared by the British Ministry of information an earlier edition of which has been circulating in Stockholm since the beginning of the war.

Diplomatic circles believe that the measure was taken following German representations. It is added it is probable that the British Government will lodge a strong protest to Stockholm against the intervention by Germany in Swedish internal affairs coming close after von Ribbentrop's speech praising Sweden and stressing German's wish to respect Swedish neutrality.

However, it is not believed that the incident will raise a serious barrier between Britain and Sweden.

The prohibited bulletin contained the speech by Mr. Winston Churchill on the occasion of the arrival in London of the survivors of the destroyer H.M.S. Hardy which inflicted heavy losses on the German Navy during the first battle at Narvik, and also the pro-neutrality speech by the Swedish Prime Minister, M. Hannsson. —Havas.

JAPAN-N.E.I. TRADE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")
Tokyo, To-day.

Trade circles are now urging the development of Japanese trade with the Netherlands East Indies replacing trade with the Scandinavian countries which has been paralysed as a consequence of the extension of the European conflict.

The trade of the N.E.I. with the Scandinavian countries, though not very important, included imports and exports which Japan is quite ready to take over.

Imports of cement, matches, paper, machinery, metalware and tools from Scandinavia to the Indies have stopped since the German invasion of Denmark and Norway, while the Indies have lost a good customer for copra, coffee, gutta percha, oil seeds and fodder.

Japan would be able to meet the demand for cement and matches and would also be glad to import gutta percha and fodder, the "Japan Times" reports.

The paper recalls that before 1935 Japan was the biggest supplier of cement to the Indies but lost the trade through restrictions imposed by the quota system. —Havas.

Helinski.
The official German explanation is that these waters were mined by Finland during the Soviet-Finnish war. The mines became frozen in the ice, but are now coming loose. —Reuter.

Rome Ready To Advance The German Cause? SIGNIFICANCE OF ITALIAN MOVE

MUSSOLINI RUSHES CONSTRUCTION OF FORTIFICATIONS

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE APPOINTMENT OF SIGNOR ALFIERI, ITALIAN AMBASSADOR TO THE VATICAN, AS AMBASSADOR TO BERLIN IN PLACE OF SIGNOR ATTOLICO, WHO TAKES THE FORMER'S PLACE, IS REGARDED AS ANOTHER EFFORT TO SHOW GERMANY THAT ITALY IS READY TO ADVANCE THE GERMAN CAUSE BY ALL MEANS, DIPLOMATICALLY AND ECONOMICAL-
LY.

Signor Alfieri is known as a fervent admirer of everything German, and has the reputation of being one of the most pro-German of the Fascist leaders; he was appointed to the Holy See post last October.

UNFOUNDED REPORTS

London, To-day.

The War Office announce: "Statements made that the British commander at Namsos has been superseded by the French, are untrue. A statement that our men were untrained and without reserves is nonsense.

"As in previous exaggerated statements, the reports have been based on conversation with a soldier influenced by his personal experience during the heat of battle and without knowledge of the situation as a whole."

It is understood the statements referred to were made in a report that has been circulated in America.—
Reuter.

LABOUR TROUBLES FEARED

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Tokyo, To-day.

A decision against the importation of manpower from Korea and Shantung was taken at a conference of representatives of the Industry and Welfare Ministries and the China Affairs Board, it is officially announced. The decision was taken for fear that such labour might cause friction with Japanese labourers. Other means will have to be found to relieve the labour shortage in Japan.—Havas.

HEAVY GERMAN LOSSES

London, To-day.

It was made known in London last night that since April 5, 28 German transports and supply ships have been sunk, besides 10 which were hit by torpedoes and probably sunk, and the German ship Maine, which scuttled herself.

The German expeditionary force in Norway has also suffered losses due to mines.—Reuter.

Meanwhile, it is reported that work continues day and night on the fortifications on the Brenner, the frontier between Italy and Germany.

Work on the 1942 Rome Exhibition has lately slowed and it is rumoured that roadmakers, masons and bricklayers have been given work on fortifications, and that raw materials have been diverted to national defence.—Reuter.

Can't Tolerate England

Cologne, To-day.

"We cannot tolerate England in the Mediterranean, just as we cannot tolerate her in the Baltic," said Dr. Robert Ley, the Nazi Labour leader, in a speech yesterday to German youths and Italian Fascists.

They were glad that the Fuehrer of their nation had a personal friend in the Duce of Italy. This friendship was the best guarantee that Germany and Italy would stand together in the present war.

They had common enemies—England and France.—Reuter.

RED CROSS ATTACKED BY NAZI BOMBERS

Stockholm, To-day.

The leader of the Swedish Red Cross organization bringing back Norwegian refugees from the Oester Valley describes how the Red Cross convoy of cars, clearly marked with the Red Cross, was attacked by three Nazi bombers on Saturday.

The two score of people with the convoy escaped by fleeing into the woods, but the vehicles of the convoy were considerably damaged by machine-gun bullets.—Reuter.

GERMAN AIR RAID ON MOLDE

HELSINKI, TO-DAY.

SOME DETAILS OF THE GERMAN RAID ON MOLDE ARE GIVEN BY THE HELSINKI BUREAU OF THE NORWEGIAN TELEGRAPH AGENCY.

It is stated German planes bombed the centre of the town causing extensive damage; it is not yet known whether there were any casualties.

One German plane was shot down and burst into flames; two of the occupants were killed and the others taken prisoner. Several German planes were brought down near Aalesund.

At sea there have been engagements between Norwegian and German warships. The latter were supported by aircraft and one Norwegian ship was set on fire.—Reuter.

HOSPITAL SHIP BOMBED

Somewhere in Norway, To-day.

The Norwegian hospital-ship Brand IV was heavily bombed by German planes yesterday off Aalesund, says the Norwegian telegraph agency.

Five persons were killed, including a doctor, and many injured.—Reuter.

GERMANS KIDNAPPED BY BANDITS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Peking, To-day.

Four Germans, one of whom was a woman, were kidnapped yesterday by bandits in the Plyunsu Temple in the western hills.

The woman was released yesterday evening while two others were held captives.

The bandits demanded watches, money and arms but did not receive arms and refused to set all free until their demands had been complied with.

The German authorities are endeavouring to get in touch with the kidnapers for the release.

One of the captives is a member of the German Embassy, one a doctor, one a Peking resident and the woman a typist.—Havas.

PACIFIC BLOCKADE

SAN FRANCISCO, TO-DAY.

THE BRITISH CRUISER CARADOC ARRIVED YESTERDAY IN LOS ANGELES WHERE SHE WILL BE ALLOWED TO REMAIN 24 HOURS.

Immediately she arrived a strong guard was posted to prevent interference with her.

It is reported the cruiser's mission is to blockade copper shipments across the Pacific.—Reuter.

RUMANIA CANCELS ARMY LEAVE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

The "Daily Express" correspondent in Bucharest reports that all leave has been cancelled for Rumanian officers in the army, air force and air defence corps.

The correspondent adds that special precautions have been enforced throughout the territory around the oilfields.—Havas.

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Too Many Scots?

To judge by our rulers, the English are the most down-trodden nation in Europe. We may call ourselves the predominant partner in these islands, but it is only by a rare chance that we find an Englishman in control of our affairs. The Scots will hardly allow us a name; we are to be "Britons." I protest that I am not a Briton. I do not paint myself blue, and I never offered a human sacrifice in my life.

This statement is easily proved. To take our Kings and Queens. The later Plantagenets may, I suppose, count as English, not Normans; but after them came the Tudors (Welsh); the Stuarts (Scotch); William III. (Dutch), and our present beloved dynasty (Hanoverian).

Or take our Prime Ministers—this is a more surprising list. Since 1850 we have had eight Scotsmen—Aberdeen, Gladstone, Rosebery, Balfour, Campbell-Bannerman, Bonar Law, Ramsay MacDonald and Baldwin (half Scottish); one Irishman, Palmerston; one Welshman, Lloyd George; one Jew, Disraeli; and four Englishmen, Derby, John Russell, Asquith, and Neville Chamberlain.

There is no keeping a Scotsman out, even in the Church of England. Three of our best archbishops—Tait, Davidson, and Lang—have come from North of the Tweed, where there were no bishoprics for them.

"What did you think of the English, Sandy?" said his friends after he had returned from London. "I didn't see much of them," said Sandy; "my business was all with the heads of departments."

If Hitler wished to get rid of his Jews, he would have been wise to import a sufficient number of Scotsmen: their Aryan descent is unimpeachable.

Is this predilection for non-natives—I must not say aliens—peculiar to England? Far from it; it is almost the rule everywhere. The Roman emperors after the first century were of all nationalities—Spaniards, Illyrians, a Carthaginian-speaking North African, Septimius Severus; even an Arab, Philip; and a Syrian, Elagabalus.

Of the leaders of thought in philosophy and religion, Zeno, the founder of Stoicism, was probably a Semite, St. Paul a Jew Plotinus an Egyptian, Augustine a North African.

It is curious how the great religions have taken root most firmly outside the country of their origin. Christianity is the most prominent example, for though it arose in Palestine, it has ever since been the least Asiatic of the great religions. But Buddhism is another instance. The Brahmins were too strong for it in India, but it made conquest of China, Burma and Tibet.

The French might name Charlemagne, Napoleon and Victor Hugo as their greatest men. But Charlemagne was a Boche, Victor Hugo, I think, was a Spaniard and Napoleon was an Italian. The Bonapartes, though they lived in Corsica, were originally a Florentine family.

Napoleon mispronounced some French words to the end of his life. He said at St. Helena that Frenchmen and Italians could never understand one another. He no doubt counted himself French, and once exposed himself to one of the neatest snubs recorded in history. He said rudely to an Italian lady, "The Italians are all rascals;" to which she replied, "Non tutti, ma buona parte"—"not all, but—"

The Russian dynasty of Rurik, which reigned for several centuries, was Swedish. Among the Bolshevik leaders, Lenin and Chicherin were almost the only Russians. Trotsky, Zinoviev, Radek, Bela Kun, and Kamenev were Jews. Djerzinsky was a Pole, Stalin a Georgian. Stalin has

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never concealed his contempt for the Russians.

Among prominent Germans, Nietzsche, who is partly responsible for the cult of the "great blonde beast," was a Pole. He had a great contempt for the Germans, whom he ranked only just above "cows, sheep, Englishmen and other democrats." Kant, the great philosopher, was half Scottish. Hitler is an Austrian, who has no affection or respect for the North Germans. "The last pacifist will be a German," he remarked once—an opinion which sounds odd to us.

Another remarkable instance is Barnadotte, one of Napoleon's marshals, who founded the present royal house of Sweden.

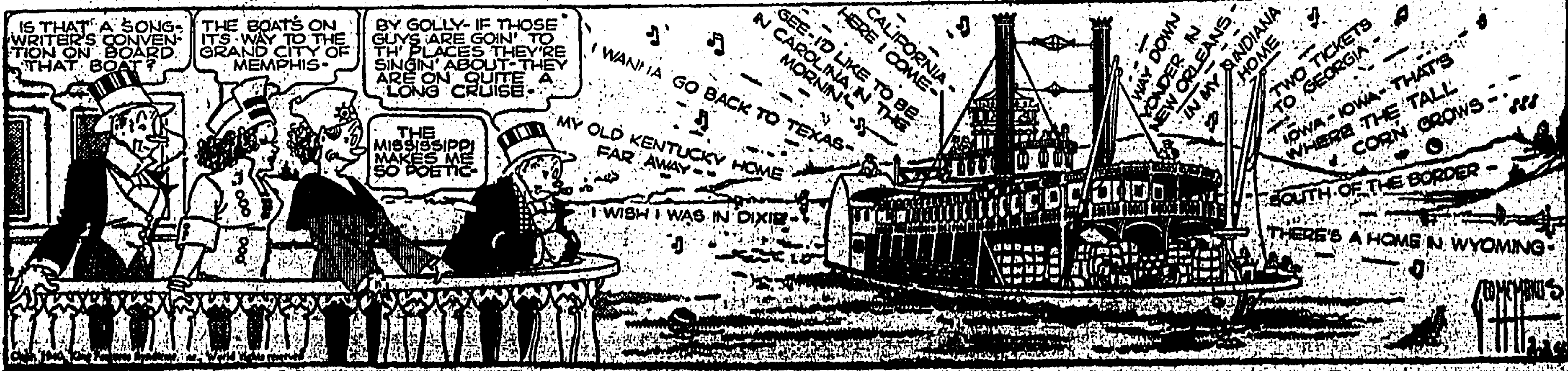
I do not know where the family of Mustafa Kemal Ataturk came from; but he was certainly not a Turk. I have never seen a more typically Nordic skull than is shown in his photographs.

There is no doubt that foreigners who settle in a strange country often distinguish themselves. The challenge is enough to call out all their abilities, and we must add that emigrants usually have some force of character to start with. The brilliant record of the French Huguenots in England and other countries is a well-known example; the Jews are an even more striking proof that persistent hammering, if it stops short of extermination, is a great stimulus to its victims.

The Jews have been very successful not only in commerce but in almost every branch of science, literature and art, except painting and sculpture, which the Semites have always mistrusted. Every nation gets the Jews (Continued on Page 11)

Bringing Up Father

By George McManus



TELEPHONE CO. MEETING

CHAIRMAN ON THE NEW TELEPHONE ORDINANCE

"THE OLD DISABILITIES IMPOSED BY THE TELEPHONE ORDINANCE IN ITS ORIGINAL FORM HAVE DISAPPEARED, WITH A CONSEQUENT STRENGTHENING IN THE FINANCIAL STRUCTURE, WHICH LATTER HAS BEEN THE GOAL AIMED AT BY YOUR DIRECTORS FOR MANY YEARS," SAID MR. J. SCOTT HARSTON, CHAIRMAN, AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE HONG KONG TELEPHONE CO., LTD., HELD IN THE EXCHANGE BUILDING AT NOON TO-DAY.

Mr. Scott Harston was supported by Sir Shou-son Chow, Sir Robert Kotewall, Messrs. S. H. Dodwell, D. H. Blake, A. L. Shields, and H. V. Wilkinson, directors; Mr. J. H. Taggart, managing director; Mr. J. P. Sherry, manager; Mr. W. L. McKenzie, secretary.

The chairman said:—

Before analysing the figures shown in the Accounts, I would like to make brief reference to the Telephone Amendment Ordinance which came into force on April 5, 1940. A perusal of the speeches made from this chair since the inception of the company will show that your business has developed far more rapidly than could have been foreseen when the original ordinance was framed. Your directors have, of course, been cognisant of this trend throughout the years of their stewardship, and have foreseen that some adjustment of the Telephone Ordinance in its relation to the financial structure of your company would require to be made if the business was to be allowed to continue to expand along lines consistent with accepted standards of sound commercial practice.

The Government has been approached from time to time on one or other special aspects of this subject, but it became evident that no satisfactory progress could be expected until the problem as a whole was considered. Consequently, your Board authorised the Managing Director to open negotiations with the Government, with the object of reviewing the whole field and making recommendations as to how best the matter could be adjusted without impairing any of the statutory rights of the company. In this relation and having regard to the somewhat complex questions at issue, involving as they did, discussions of a financial and highly technical nature, your board is desirous of paying tribute to Mr.

E. M. Bryden of Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and to your company's manager—Mr. J. P. Sherry—together with your Managing Director, who were associated in bringing these difficult and somewhat protracted negotiations to a successful conclusion, as evidenced from the following summary of the principal results achieved:

The Government will, in effect, take the place of the subscriber with the modification that shareholders will participate on an equal basis with Government after a dividend at the rate of 12% (without maxima) has been received by them;

The company will supply the Government with 500 lines free of rental charges—and with additional lines (if and when required) subject to a discount on standard rates;

The investments of the company in respect of the depreciation and general reserves were revalued as at August 31, 1939—the total depreciation arising therefrom being deducted from general reserve, and the amortisation of the authorised capital being placed on a Sinking Fund basis;

The company is given the right to depreciate (where necessary) its investments other than those made on behalf of its capital reserve.

The bill, as you are no doubt aware, was introduced as a Government measure—its terms being previously agreed to by your directors.

Having, to the best of my ability, explained the salient details of the foregoing matters, I feel I can now proceed to the accounts for the year under review, which reflect, I would point out, the effect of the provisions of the Telephone Amendment Ordinance 1940.

SATISFACTORY RESULTS

In general, the result presented is, by comparison, highly satisfactory, and has made possible the recommendation of your Board that the final dividend be increased from 8% to 10% thus making 14% for the year 1939.

Turning to the debit side of profit and loss account, royalties to the Government are shown in the sum of \$272,551.97 as against \$50,995 for the previous year. This enhanced contribution to the public revenue is a very material one, but is one which is especially necessary at the present juncture.

Depreciation allowance is \$256,793.60 as against \$521,524.38 for the previous financial period, but it will be apparent from my earlier remarks that, in future, the necessity for providing for depreciation on a scale in excess of normal technical requirements should no longer exist. I would add, however, that adequate provision in this respect has been made.

On the credit side, it will be observed that the balance from working account is higher by \$123,501.11, and that receipts under the heading "Interest dividends and exchange" are less by \$25,172.02. It will be realised, however, that the adjustments made necessary by the Telephone Amendment Ordinance render direct comparison rather difficult. The increase, however, of \$127,754.86 in the net profit carried down after including such adjustments, amply demonstrates the eminently successful result of the year's working.

Turning now to profit and loss appropriation account, it will be observed that, subject to your approval, a capital reserve instalment is proposed in the sum of \$82,577. This, if approved, will replace the former annual appropriation of \$170,482.00 to general reserve, and is the yearly instalment calculated at a rate sufficient to amortise the present authorised capital over the residual period of the franchise on the basis of a sinking fund accumulating at an interest rate of 3% per annum.

DISABILITIES DISAPPEAR

I now come to the balance sheet, which displays a position of such financial stability as must be gratifying to all. The old disabilities imposed by the Telephone Ordinance in its original form have disappeared, with a consequent strengthening in the financial structure, which latter has been the goal aimed at by your directors for many years. For example, on reference to the assets side, it will be observed that investments which showed a depreciation of \$550,468.38 for the year 1938 now show an appreciation of \$109,447.49 over the materially lower market values ruling at the end of 1939. The result thus achieved is equivalent to the provision of an investment fluctuation reserve—the desirability of the establishment of which has frequently been emphasised in previous references from this chair. The remaining items on the balance sheet are of a self-explanatory character, and I feel, therefore, that I may now deal with the general trend of your Company's business.

At the last annual general meeting, my predecessor in the chair referred to the continued expansion of the business of the company and to the steps which were being taken to augment the capacity of your equipment more particularly in the matter of automatic exchange plant. I am glad to be able to state that the action thus foreshadowed was put into effect and an order placed in London for the requisite plant on highly satisfactory terms. Notwithstanding the intervention of the war, it is hoped that the contract entered into will be fulfilled in accordance with its terms, but

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TOO MANY SCOTS?

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it deserves, and we, who are quite ready to put a Jew in any position that he is qualified to fill, have deserved and got the best.

We are, of course, wise in not discriminating in favour of what used to be called Anglo-Saxons. We do not look each other in the eyes to see whether they are of the proper Nordic blue. A foreign diplomat, talking to a friend who had just been appointed to a London Embassy, said, "You will like these people. They are not envious; they are not jealous." I think this is true.

An Englishman loves his country as he loves his wife. He knows that she is the best woman in the world, a thousand times too good for him; but he is quite willing that other men should have the same opinion, however, mistakenly, of their own wives and their own countries; and if he thinks them the best men for some particular job, why should he not vote for them?

At the same time it is a little ignominious that only four Prime Ministers out of fifteen have been Englishmen. Are we after all rather stupid, and only redeemed from failure by our unquestionable moral superiority? That is what we think of ourselves; we can almost take to ourselves the words of Holy Writ—"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth." But this is not at all how we appear to foreign nations. They think that we are wickedly successful humbugs.

On the whole, I think we are right; we mean well, and are not very bright. We owe a great deal to the Lowland Scots, who are really closely akin racially to the North-country English.

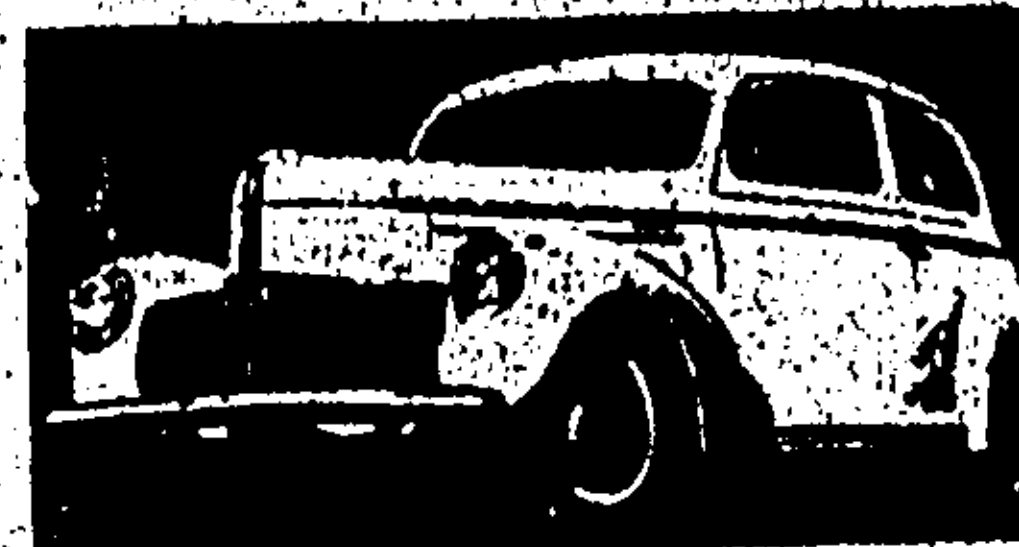
I once asked a Scot who had been a professor, first at Aberdeen and then in Yorkshire, what he thought of my fellow-Yorkshiremen.

"They are very like the Lowland Scots," he said; "perhaps rather harder. But when I was at Aberdeen, I felt myself in a foreign country." The Highlanders are splendid fellows, but to tell the truth they were barbarians till the eighteenth century.

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INDIA'S IMPRESSIVE WAR EFFORT

London, To-day.

THE SCALE OF INDIA'S WAR EFFORT is most impressive when its many manifestations over the past eight months are seen in perspective; regular units of the Indian Army are now serving overseas in France, Malaya, Aden and Egypt. Indian Territorials and men of the auxiliary forces are serving in India by the side of their professional comrades, and the Army is being steadily expanded in all branches of the service.

Apart from the growth of regular units, eight new Territorial battalions have been formed and more are contemplated.

Pilots and mechanics for the growing air force requirements are being systematically recruited and trained in India, and in addition five new auxiliary volunteer flights have already been brought into being. Recruiting has been so successful that the authorities have had to slow up the rate of volunteers which came from every class. As a temporary measure 25,000 recruits were medically examined, attested and placed on the waiting list for gradual absorption.

GENEROSITY OF THE PRINCES

The Indian Princes, true to their traditions, have been overwhelmingly generous. Two examples may be cited as typical. In addition to furnishing troops for garrison duty in British India and making Liberal contributions to the Indian war funds, the Nizam of Hyderabad gave £100,000 to His Majesty's Government towards the costs of the R.A.F. squadron which bears his name.

The Maharaja of Bikaner offered the personal services of himself and his only surviving son, a large sum from his private purse, six battalions of infantry, his famous camel corps doubled in strength and a large quantity of state products for use in munitions manufacture.

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS

So many contributions in money or in kind from rich and poor alike have been sent to the Viceroy that he found it necessary to open a War Purposes Fund, the total of which is approximately £600,000. Nor has India's liberality been confined to the central fund, for generous donations have also been made to the Indian Red Cross, St. Johns Ambulance Association, St. Dunstan's, the Lord Mayor's Fund and others.

In the industrial field the great ordnance factories of India are producing munitions at a speed and in a quantity which a few months ago would hardly have been contemplated. When the expansion schemes are complete it is anticipated India will become an important centre of munitions production able not only to meet her own needs but to a appreciable extent those of the Allied forces abroad. —British Wireless.

JAPAN ANNOYED BY AIRLINE PROPOSAL

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL") Tokyo, To-day.

A New York despatch to the Chugai Shogyo declares that Mr. Francis Sayre, United States High Commissioner to the Philippines, suggested to Washington the establishment of an airline linking the Philippines with the Netherlands East Indies.

The newspaper comments that such a line would cause repercussions in Japan in view of the present diplomatic tension between Japan and N.E.I. and the question of Japanese immigration to the Islands. —Havas.

CANADA'S OLDEST REGIMENT

London, To-day.

The oldest regiment of the Canadian regular army was inspected yesterday at Aldershot by Field-Marshal the Duke of Connaught. The regiment was the Royal Canadian Regiment of which the Duke has been Colonel-in-Chief for 25 years. —British Wireless.

PRESIDENT'S MOTHER INDISPOSED

New York, To-day.

Mrs. Roosevelt, mother of President Roosevelt, became indisposed while returning to her New York home by automobile yesterday. She was treated at a chemist's shop where she stayed for two hours. She was then escorted home by a large number of police who kept away inquisitive persons.

Mrs. Roosevelt blamed the indisposition to some peaches she had eaten. —Reuter.

SWISS TREATY WITH THE ALLIES

Berne, To-day.

The Swiss press welcomes the Swiss trade treaty with France and England. The "Volksrecht" states: "The news will be hailed throughout Switzerland with satisfaction and some relief. There were many serious difficulties to be overcome, but this only makes our pleasure over the final outcome greater." —Reuter.

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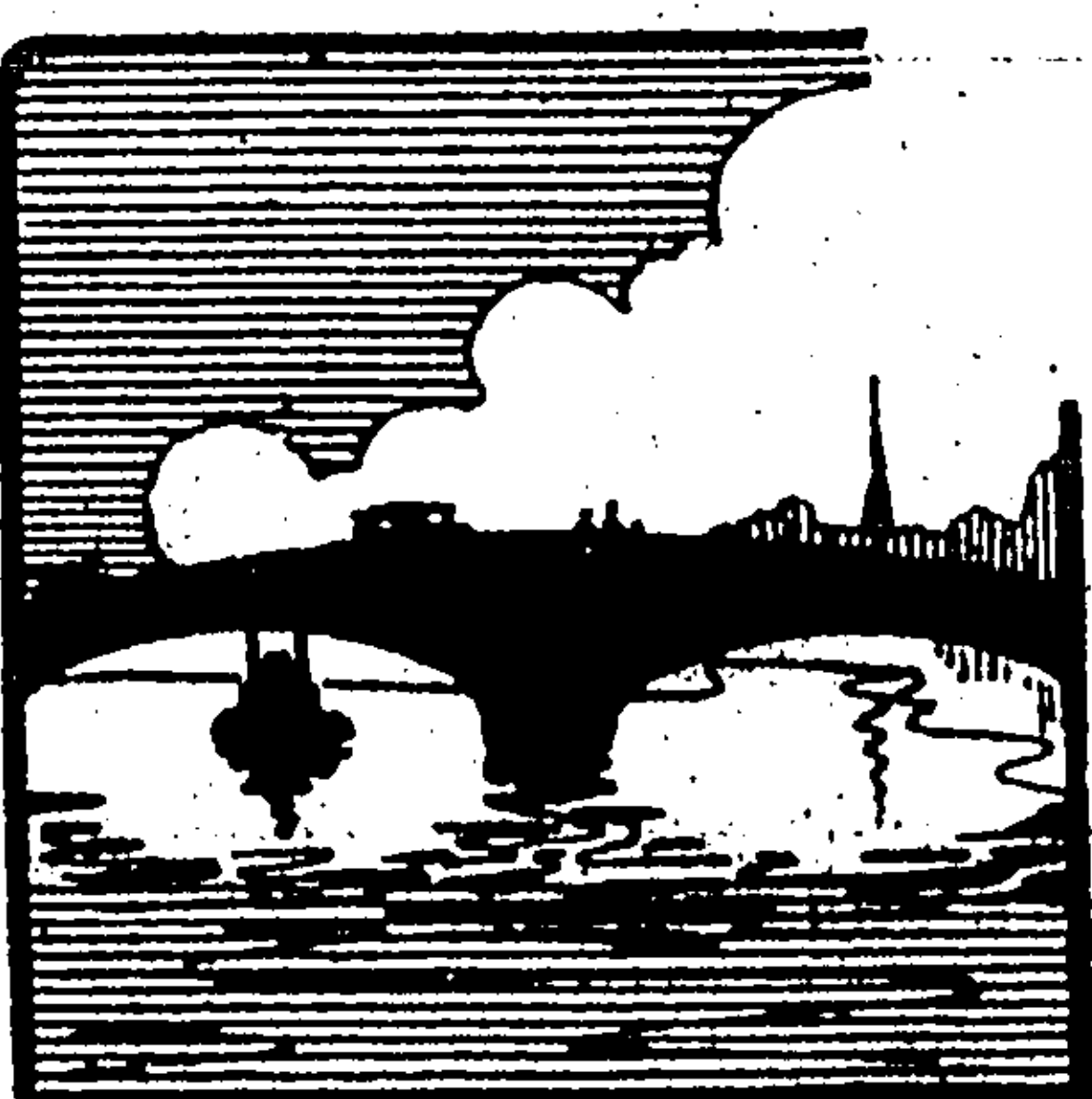
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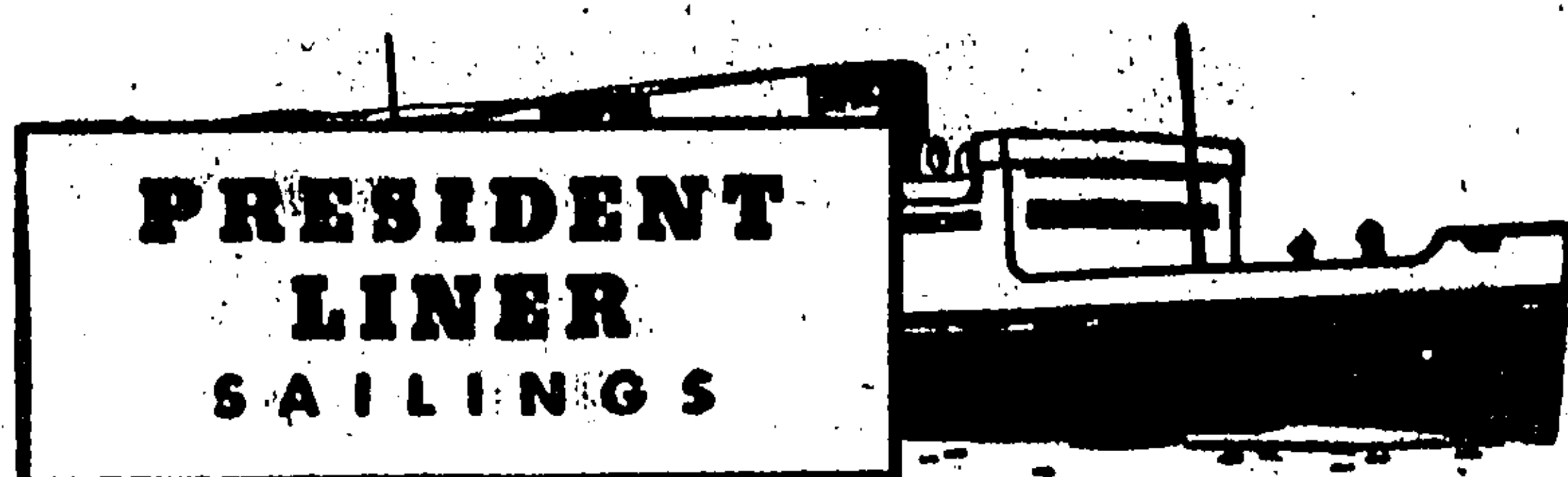
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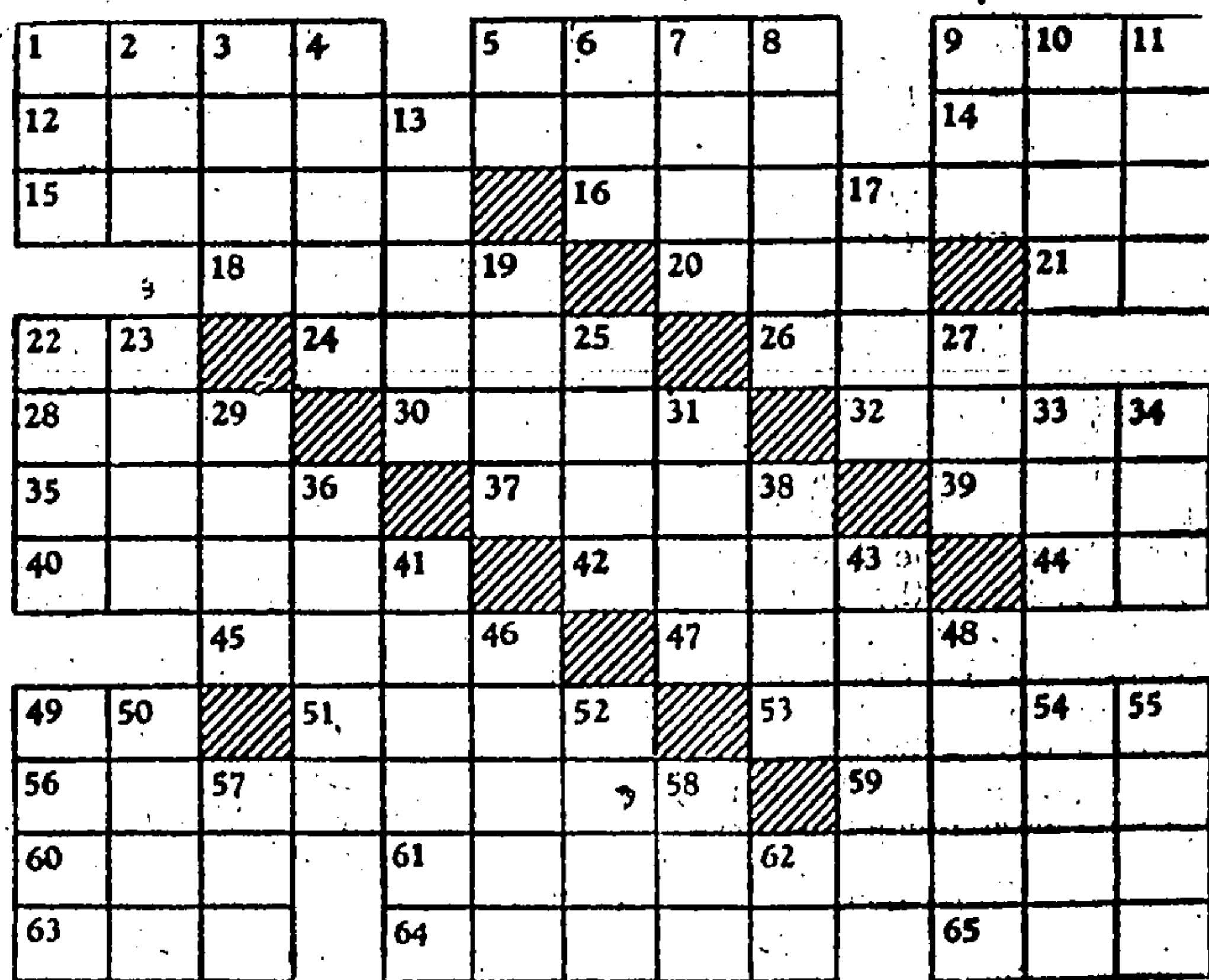
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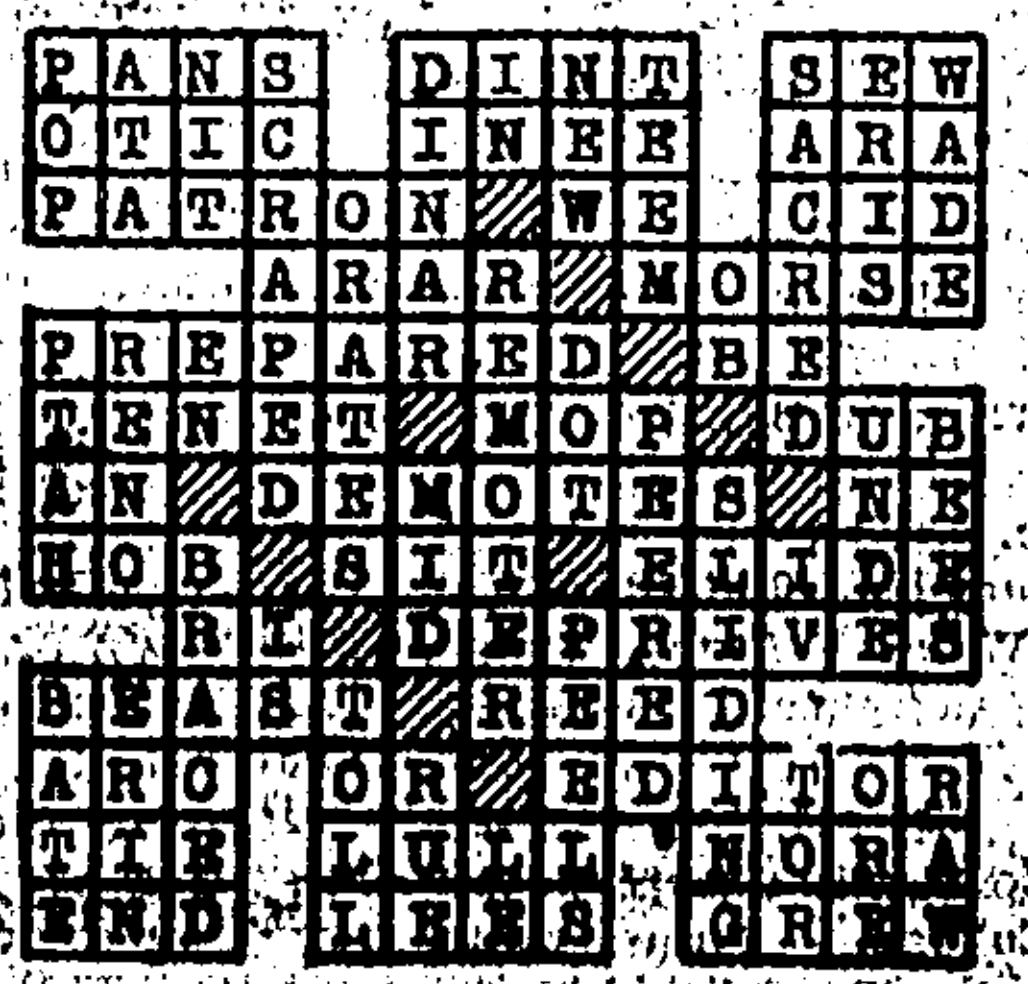
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- 1 Wings
5 Son of Adam
9 Sand bank
12 Authoritative
14 Japanese sash
15 Constellation
16 Delicate
18 To break
20 Biblical name
21 Symbol for tellurium
22 Printer's measure
24 To ignore
28 Curved planking of a ship
28 To knock
30 Seed coat
32 Slave
35 Uprising
37 Silkworm
39 Tiny
40 Impedes
42 Flannel fibers
44 Symbol for tellurium
46 Instant
47 Rooster
49 Exclamation
51 Girl's name

VERTICAL

- 1 Undersea worker
5 Assembly
9 Ancient Japanese capital
13 Yellow bugle
16 Taxing
18 Algerian governor
20 Slats
22 Sheltered side
25 Challice
27 Malay gibbon
29 Tropical blackbirds
31 Paradises
33 Preposition
35 Small amount
37 Level
39 Unaspirated consonants
41 To decry
43 To border
45 Ascent
47 Hindu prayer rug
49 Vases
51 Unadulterated
53 Is mistaken
55 Spike
57 Part of clarinet
59 Evergreen tree
61 Needy
63 Falsifier
65 To soak
67 Retainer
69 Vibrating sound
71 Footless animal
73 Displays ostentatiously
75 Keen stimulus
77 To apply remedies to
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ATHLETICS

WAH YAN'S THRILLING INTER-SCHOOL WIN

Fong Chi-Hung Creates An Upset In Pole Vault

Large Shows Good Form In Sprints

(By "SPORTSHAWK")

A BRILLIANT EFFORT on the anchor lap of the relay by Lam Kwok-leung of Wah Yan, who closed a long gap on Castro of St. Joseph's and forged ahead to win, gave Wah Yan College its first Inter-School title and the Governor's Shield at the Caroline Hill Stadium yesterday.

The victory was a narrow one, a single point separating Wah Yan from St. Stephen's College, whose inability to qualify for the relay gave them scant hope for the title unless St. Joseph's, already out of the running, won first place in the race, and the eight points that came with it, and kept these out of the grasp of the other five schools represented.

A win in the relay for any one of the other five schools would have given the winners not only the Sir Paul Chater Challenge Cup but also the Inter-School Championship. The Wah Yan quartet of Ho Cham-ying,

Chan Yee-fong, Lai Chung-yin and Lam Kwok-leung, though not considered favourites for the relay title, came through in a sensational climax.

The earlier events brought surprise after surprise on all who had tried to work out results on paper. King's College had been strongly considered for the Shield after their good showing in the preliminaries.

King's, however, expected to win eight points in the long jump, only secured one point, and in the shot put, where they were expected to take first and second place, they took only second and third.

The pole vault was the event, though, that produced the major surprise of the afternoon.

Kwok Chi-hung of St. Stephen's, who holds the inter-school record of 9 feet 11½ inches, failed to survive the eliminating heights in the final and did not place in the first three.

The event was won by Fong Chi-hung of Wah Yan, better known as a high jumper, who had spent the early part of the day in bed, a victim of malaria.

YUE'S FINE EFFORT

Fong Chi-hung did not do so well later in the afternoon in his specialty, when he failed to better 5 feet 6½ inches, to tie for second place with Poon Sai-on of King's. Wolfgang Yue of St. Stephen's, who just cleared the bar with every jump, barely wriggled over at 5 feet 7¼ inches to win.

After winning the high hurdles, Wolfgang Yue returned to take two tries at a new inter-school record of 5 feet 8 inches, but was not able to make it.

A double was scored by Clifton Large, of D.B.S., who won both the 100 and 200 metres, equalling the inter-school record of 24 seconds flat over the longer distance.

Sin Kwok-bun of Wah Yan was the surprise winner of the day.

Though he had returned the best time in the 400 metres heats, his victory was quite unexpected and is the more meritorious for the fact that he beat three favourites for the race. Philip Tavares, who finished a yard behind in second place, was just as surprising a runner-up.

C.B.S. MONOPOLISE DISTANCE EVENTS

The Central British School monopoly in the distance runs was kept up by J. Rousseau and C. Traux who won in 2:15-3/5 and 4:46-2/5 respectively. The metric half saw keen competition for Rousseau from Khan Mohammed of Queen's, and the Indian boy also trailed Traux for the first three laps of the metric mile only to be outrun for second by L. Silva of La Salle who came up from the ruck to be timed in a neat 4:52-2/5.

Mr. C. G. Solis, the Director of Education, gave away the prizes.

RESULTS

100 Metres:—Clifton Large (D.B.S.), A. P. Silva (La Salle) and R. Lobo (La Salle). Time: 11-4/5 sec.

Long Jump:—Chan King-cheung (St. Stephen's), Wan Kai-hing (Wah Yan) and Poon Sai-on (King's). Distance: 19ft. 5in.

800 Metres:—J. Rousseau (C.B.S.), Khan Mohammed (Queen's) and A. Odell (C.B.S.). Time: 2min. 15.3sec.

Pole Vault:—Fong Chi-hung (Wah Yan), Chan King-cheung (St. Stephen's) and Marcus Ng (La Salle). Height: 9ft. 10½ins.

200 Metres:—Clifton Large (D.B.S.), A. P. Silva (La Salle) and Lai Chung-yui (Wah Yan). Time: 24sec. (equals record with last meeting).

Shot Put:—R. Silva (St. Joseph's), Poon Sai-hong (King's) and Loh Seng-kool (King's). Distance: 37ft. 3in.

400 Metres:—Sin Kwok-bun (King's), P. Tavares (St. Joseph's) and Macaulay (D.B.S.). Time: 57-3/5sec.

High Jump:—Wolfgang Yue (St. Stephen's), Poon Sai-on (King's) and Fong Chi-hung (Wah Yan). Height: 5ft. 7¼in.

1,500 Metres:—C. Traux (C.B.S.), L. Silva (La Salle) and Khan Mohammed (Queen's). Time: 4min. 46-3/5sec.

100 Metres High Hurdles:—Wolfgang Yue (St. Stephen's) and Wong Kai-lun. Time: 18-4/5sec. No Third. All other starters disqualified.

Midday Relay Race (400, 200, 200, 400 Metres):—Wah Yan College, St. Joseph's College and La Salle College. Time: 4min. 48-3/5sec.

Following is the final team standings:—
Wah Yan College 19 points.
St. Stephen's College 18 points.
King's College 15 points.
St. Joseph's College 13 points.
La Salle College 13 points.
Central British School 11 points.
Diocesan Boys' School 11 points.
Queen's College 4 points.
St. Paul's College 0 point.

Army Finals To-day

The final day's programme of the Hong Kong Area (Army) athletic meeting will be held at the Polo ground, Boundary Street, at 2.30 p.m. to-day. The alternative date on all invitations issued for the "At Home" should now read Tuesday, April 30, and not Wednesday, May 1.

BARKER BEATS MINDANAO

U.S.S. Barker beat U.S.S. Mindanao by 102 in a 10-pin match at the bowling alleys yesterday.

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D. M. Keplinger 146 134 142 166 134 722
S. Golden 144 123 130 134 133 666
E. F. Merrill 160 147 115 145 88 653

Total 2,787

Singles Handicap, first round.—Cpl. J. H. Watts (plus 20) beat J. H. Potts (plus 50) 493-425.

STOCK EXCHANGE DULL

London, To-day.

The Stock Exchange yesterday was dull apart from gilt-edged securities which were higher on small but steady investment support. Industrials were irregular and gold-minings moderately steady despite a small trickle of selling orders.

Wall Street was firm.—Reuter.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2 13/16.

London was quoted at 21 spot and 20-15/16 forward.

The cross rate London/New York was quoted at £-U.S.\$4.0250 and the New York/London rate at £-U.S.\$3.52-7/8.



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FAST MOTORBOATS TO WORK ON YANGTZE

High speed motor boats will soon begin operating on the Yangtze between Hankow and Nanking, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reports.

Although the two boats, the Fuji and Nittaka, to be used on the run, will be utilized for military purposes, civilians will be allowed to book passage on the boats if the permission on the Japanese military authorities is first obtained, the paper said.

More boats of the same type which cover the distance between Hankow and Nanking in two days, were said to be under construction for the service by the Kiangnan Industrial Company and will be placed on the route this summer. They will accommodate 12 passengers, a four-member crew, and one ton of cargo.

LOCAL SHARES

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations today:

BANKS

Hong Kong Bank \$1505 b.
Bank of East Asia \$74 b.

INSURANCES

Union Ins. \$490 b.

DOCKS, WHARVES, GODOWNS. ETC.

H.K. Docks cum Rts. \$22 s., \$21¼ sa.
H.K. Docks cum Rights \$8.60 b., \$6.60 sa.
Providents \$4¼ b.

LANDS, HOTELS & BLDGS.

H.K. and S. Hotels \$4.35 b., \$4½ s., \$4½ sa.
H.K. Lands \$36¼ sa.
H.K. Realities \$4.40 b.
Chinese Estates \$103 sa.

PUBLIC UTILITIES

H.K. Tramways \$17½ sa.
China Lights (Old) \$7.90 sa.
China Lights (New) \$5.05 s.
H.K. Electrics \$65¼ s., \$64.80 sa.
Macao Electrics \$20¼ b.
Telephones (Old) \$28.80 sa.
Telephones (New) \$10 b.

STORES, &C.

Lane, Crawfords \$8.10 b.
Wm. Powell Ltd. \$1 b.

COTTON MILLS

*Ewo Cottons Sh. \$70½ s., \$70½ sa.

MISCELLANEOUS

Entertainments \$7.15 b.

LAST DAY'S SALES

500 Hotels @ \$4½
800 Docks C. Rts. @ \$21¼
33 Docks Rts. @ \$6.80
200 Lands @ \$36¼
500 Trams @ \$17½
750 Lights (Old) @ \$7.90
100 Telephones (Old) @ \$28.80
100 Electrics @ \$64.80
100 China Estates @ \$103

MANILA SHARES

Antamoks Ps. .12 sa.
Atoks Ps. .16½ b.
Baguio Gold Ps. .18 b.
Batong Buhay Ps. .01 sa.
Benguet Consol. Ps. 5.05 b.
Big Wedge Ps. .17 sa.
Coco Grove Ps. .08 sa.
Consol. Mines Ps. .0025 b.
Demonstrations Ps. .08½ b.
East Mindanao Ps. .08½ sa.
I.X.L. Ps. .30½ sa.
Ipo Gold Ps. .07½ sa.
Itogons Ps. .20½ b.
Masbates Ps. .09 b.
Mind. Mother Lode. Ps. .08½ sa.
Mine Operation Ps. .07½ sa.
North Camarines Ps. .043 sa.
Paracale Gumatus Ps. .16 sa.
San Mauricio Ps. .61 b.
Surigao Consol. Ps. .17½ sa.
Suyoc Consol. Ps. .12½ sa.
United Paracales Ps. .21 sa.

ANNUAL MEETING OF TELEPHONE COMPANY

(Continued from Page 11.)

although latest advices tend to confirm this, it will be realised that world conditions are in a greater state of flux than ever before, and that serious delays in deliveries of materials may become inevitable. I think it is appropriate at this juncture to express appreciation of the excellent services rendered in this and other directions by our manager (Mr. Sherry) and by our London agents, The Oriental Telephone and Electric Co., Ltd., and our consulting engineer, Mr. S. H. Pook.

CANTON TELEPHONE

With reference to the matter of the trunk telephone service with Canton, which you will recollect was suspended during 1938, I regret to inform you that it has not been found possible to resume this service. Contact, however, is being maintained with the interested parties, and your company is keeping its section of the plant and equipment in such a state of preparedness as will enable us to take immediate steps for re-connection so soon as circumstances allow the service to be restored.

An event of very considerable importance took place on August 15, 1939, when radio telephone communications was established, via Cable and Wireless, Ltd., with Chungking and Manila. Unfortunately, these services were suspended on instructions from the authorities after being in operation for only two weeks. It will be appreciated that

this is doubtless necessary for Imperial reasons, but it is to be regretted that this promising new branch of your business had to be closed down so soon after its auspicious opening. Here again, I am unable to give you any indication as to when these services will be resumed, but you may rest assured that your Company will be ready to re-establish such communications as soon as this becomes practicable. It had been hoped that, with the co-operation of the Philippines Long Distance Telephone Company in Manila, test calls would have been made with the United States of America, with a view to extending the field of communications, but it has not so far been possible, under present world conditions, to obtain the necessary permission to proceed with such tests.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolutions were passed adopting the report and accounts, re-electing Sir Robert Kotewall and Mr. D. H. Blake to the board of directors, and re-appointing Lowe, Birmingham and Matthews auditors at a fee of \$4,600 per annum, this fee to cover a cumulative monthly audit, and making the following appropriations:—

Payment of final dividend of \$1 a share on fully paid-up shares (making 14% for the year), \$500,000; payment of final dividend of 25 cents a share on partly paid-up shares (making 14% for the year), \$62,500; sinking fund instalment transferred to capital reserve, \$92,577; carry forward, \$242,532.60: Total, \$897,609.60.

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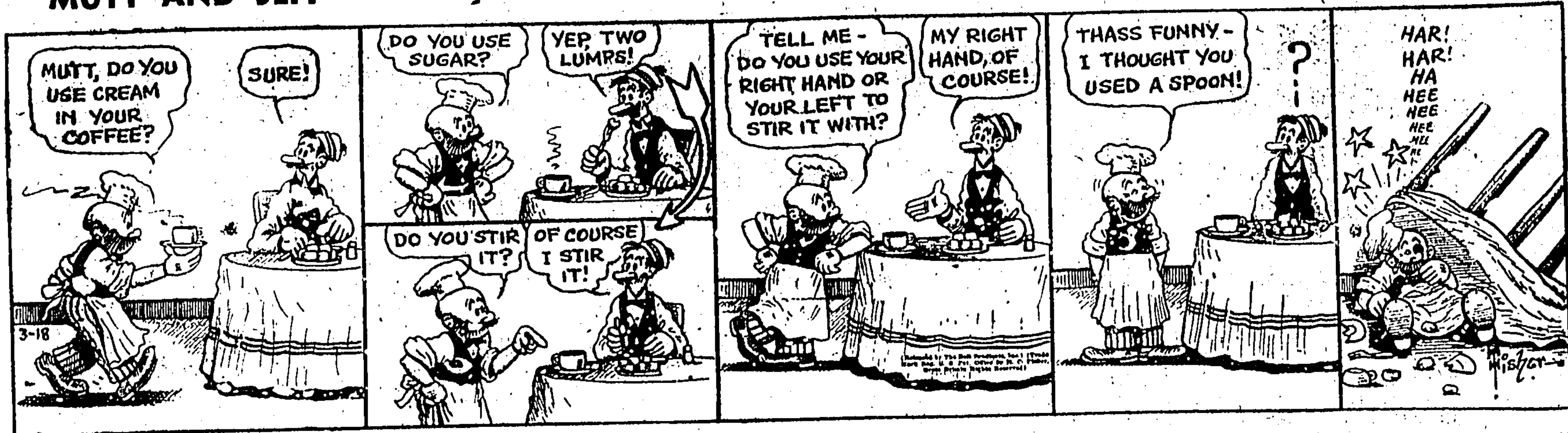
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6.00 p.m.—An hour of Dance Music.
7.00 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.
7.02 p.m.—Aldershot Command Searchlight Tattoo, 1936. Massed Bands of The Aldershot and Eastern Commands.
7.20 p.m.—Songs by Peter Dawson (Bass-Baritone).
The Man In The Street (Longstaffe); The Winding Road (Araby & Andrew); Outward Bound ('Songs of the Sea'—Stanford)...with Orchestral accomp.
7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.
8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03 p.m.—Latest Variety Numbers.
8.41 p.m.—Max Miller in the Theatre. (Recorded in the Finsbury Park Empire).

To-day's Wireless

ZBW 355 M. (845 k.c.'s) and 31.49 M.
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9.00 p.m.—London Relay—Speech by Sir Ronald Cross, Minister of Economic Warfare, at luncheon given by American Chamber of Commerce in London.
9.20 p.m.—London Relay—News Summary.
9.30 p.m.—London Relay—"Cards on the Table".
9.45 p.m.—Compositions of Moussorgsky.
Song of the Flea... Theodore Chaliapine (Bass) with Orchestra.
Pictures at an Exhibition—Suite... Boston Symphony Orchestra cond. by Serge Koussevitsky.

10.20 p.m.—B.B.C. Recording—"Money for Nothing". A Sketch.
10.35 p.m.—Dance Music.
Fox-Trots—Minnie the Moocher's Wedding Day; Hot Toddy (film 'The Big Broadcast')... Cab Calloway & His Orchestra.

Rumba—Mario La O; Bolero—Tendré Bolero.... Lecuona Cuban Boys with Elyane Cells (Vocal).
Slow Fox-Trots—A New Moon and an Old Serenade; We've come a long way Together... Harry Roy & His Orchestra.
The Veleta; Waltz—St. Bernard Waltz... Victor Silvester & His Ballroom Orchestra.
11.00 p.m.—CLOSE DOWN.

London
Relays



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A PERFECT FIT

N. J. Loprete of Hempstead, N. Y., writes as follows: "I am attaching herewith a hand which caused quite a discussion at our last Duplicate Bridge tournament, of which I am the director. Although the hand is a lay-down for a Grand Slam in clubs or diamonds by North and South, not one team actually bid it. The team that bid a Small Slam was forced into it by a sacrifice bid of five hearts by West. There were various excuses put forth by the North-South players for their failure to bid the Slam, the only one that was any good being that at one table West doubled five diamonds for some unknown reason."

South, Dealer
North-South vulnerable

♠ 9 8 5 2
♥ Q 9 7 5 4
♦ Q 10 5 3
♣ K J 10
7 8
N
W
S
♠ Q 6 4
♥ A Q 10 8
♦ 5 4
♣ 7 6 2

♠ A
♥ 9 7 8
♦ A K 10 8 6
♣ A K 9 4

Suggested bidding:

South	West	North	East
1♠	1♠	2♦	2♥
2♠	3♥	4♥	Pass
7♦	Pass	Pass	Pass

It is always very difficult for a partnership to get to a Grand Slam when one player has all the high cards and the other is void in the opponents' suit. However, in the bidding we suggest North would be fully justified in cue-bidding his opponents' heart suit, whereupon South could afford to jump to seven diamonds, on the theory that North would hold something in clubs for his bidding.

Yesterday you were Merwin Maier's partner and held:

♠ A K Q x x x
♥ A x x x
♦ K x
♣ x
The bidding:
Schenken You Burnstone Maier
1♠ Dbl. Pass 1♠
Pass (?)

ANSWER: Your correct bid is four spades. The chance of a Slam is very remote, but all your partner needs to make four spades is to have a doubleton heart.

Score 100 per cent. for four spades, 70 per cent. for three spades (an underbid).

QUESTION NO. 397

You are Howard Schenken's partner and again you hold.

♠ A K Q x x x
♥ A x x x
♦ K x
♣ x
The bidding:
Jacoby You Burnstone Schenken
1♠ Dbl. Pass 1♥
Pass (?)

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

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FEWER CAR-OWNERS IN BRITAIN

London, To-day.
The number of motor vehicles registered for the first time during March was 14,590 compared with 58,821 last March. Although all grades of motor cars declined in number, the total agricultural engines registered increased from 885 last March to 2,185 this March. The number of smaller type motor cycles registered also increased over last March.—British Wireless.

CHINESE INTERNEES IN CLASH

Shanghai, To-day.
The interned Chinese Lone Battalion and White Russian guards were involved in a clash in the camp yesterday afternoon.
There were no casualties but reinforcements were rushed to the camp and machine-guns were trained on the internees forcing them to withdraw to their huts. Last night the matter was still unsettled.—Our Own Correspondent.

SWEDISH DEFENCE LOAN

Stockholm, To-day.
King Gustav was one of the first to subscribe to the new £25,000,000 defence loan launched yesterday. He bought several thousand pounds' worth of bonds.—Reuter.

EIRE DELEGATES IN LONDON

London, To-day.
An Irish trade delegation has arrived from Dublin to take part in discussions with the British Government.—Reuter.

ITALY STARTS NEW SHIP ROUTES

Trieste, To-day.
Two new trans-Atlantic passenger services between Italy and North and South America, respectively, were inaugurated yesterday.
The 24,500-ton motor-ship "Vulcania" left Trieste in the morning for South America and the 31,000-ton liner "Roma" left on the Trieste-New York run in the afternoon.—Reuter.

PLENTY OF EGGS IN ENGLAND

London, To-day.
Lard, cooking fats, cheese and eggs will not be rationed at present, despite the cutting off of Danish supplies, an official of the Ministry of Food said yesterday. There are still plenty of eggs on the market.—Reuter.

FOOD SITUATION IN OSLO SERIOUS

Oslo, To-day.
The Nazi Administrator of occupied Norway admits that the food situation in Oslo is very serious.
One-quarter of the country's cattle will have to be slaughtered to save fodder, he says.—Reuter.

ALLIED RESOURCES IN THE FAR EAST

London, To-day.
Britain and France are now pooling their resources in the Far East, and India and French Indo-China are to supply each other with a wide range of war materials.—Reuter.

ANOTHER QUIET DAY

Paris, To-day.
Last night's French war communique said it was a quiet day on the whole.—Reuter.



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TENNIS

TSUI WAI-PUI MAKES NO SECOND MISTAKE

Outplays Brother In Match Of High Standard

HITS EARLY BALL AND ATTACKS ON THE HALF-VOLLEY

(By "ADREM")

HOLDER OF THE Colony title, Tsui Wai-pui, made no mistake in his second match against his brother and yesterday entered the final of the Colony singles tennis championship by scores of 6-4, 1-6, 6-3 and 6-4.

Some of the tennis served up yesterday was comparable to any seen in a Colony tournament. Both men played a brand of tennis several classes above the usual local run and, at no stage, was safety rated higher than hard hitting.

For the most part the rallies were fought from the baseline, where both players were in great form with their groundstrokes. Wai-pui, in contrast to his methods of last year, rarely made any effort to take the net, while on the occasions that his brother did, Wai-pui's accurate lobbing—he scored numerous outright points with this stroke—soon drove him back.

Both men were particularly accurate on the backhand and good-length driving on this wing provided some lengthy rallies.

FINE FIRST-SERVICE

Only department in which either man was definitely superior was service. Yan-pui's first-service brought him many points and it was only the remarkable retrieving powers of his brother that prevented him establishing a definite superiority in his service games.

Reason for Wai-pui's success, as I saw it, was his playing of an early ball. Unlike any player I have ever seen he appears to thrive on half-volleys—in most cases a purely defensive stroke. Frequently, when driven into a corner by a powerful drive from his brother, he crashed across a perfectly-timed half-volley drive which scored all the way.

There is little doubt that on the day's showing Wai-pui was the better player. He displayed a touch of genius that was lacking in his brother.

In the second set and periods in the first, Yan-pui was at his best. During this period his drives were in splendid working order, some of them on the forehand being unplayable. Latterly he became discouraged, and in the last two sets offered no resistance as would indicate his winning the match.

OUT FOR QUICK POINTS

It became evident early in the first set that both men were out for quick points. Both were putting all they knew into their groundstrokes. Yan-pui won the first two games after long rallies but his brother levelled at 2-all and thereafter games went with service until the ninth, when Wai-pui broke through and went out at 6-4.

Yan-pui applied pressure in the second set and after 1-all had been called, ran off a string of five games for 6-1.

The third and fourth sets, as I have already mentioned, were rather disappointing as, by this time, Wai-pui was at peak form and Yan-pui's concentration appeared to be going. Result was a large number of errors. Wai-pui, in the third, led 2-0, 2-1, 4-1, 4-2, 5-2 and went out at 6-3.

The fourth set saw Wai-pui leading all the way, following a quick breakthrough of service, and he won the set and the match in the 10th game.

Wai-pui will now meet S. A. Rum-jahn in the final.

TO-DAY'S MATCH

In the final of the Club championship, to be played on Stand Court of ship to be played on Stand Court of

PAAF TURNS DOWN TRIP TO DAIREN

Manila, Saturday.

PAAF (Philippine Amateur Athletic Federation) officials have decided to turn down the invitation of the Japan Amateur Athletic Federation to participate in the Dairen meet in Manchukuo. This decision was reached after consulting the various coaches and candidates of the various teams which will be sent to Japan next month to compete in the Japan Memorial Games.

Main objection to the Dairen invitation was the late date of the meet. It is pointed out that if the Philippine athletes, most of whom are students, compete in the Dairen meet they will be late for school next June as they will not be back until July 24. The track and field, basketball, baseball and football delegations are the teams invited to compete in Dairen.

By competing only in the Japan Games the Philippine delegation is expected back here in time for the opening of school next June. The delegation is scheduled to sail on the Atuta Maru for Japan on May 20 and will compete in games in Tokyo from June 6 to 13 and in Osaka from June 14 to June 16. The P. I. athletes will catch the Atuta Maru at Nagasaki for home on June 17.

It was announced by local athletic officials yesterday that the delegation will be made up of 76 or 74 members including athletes and officials.

Meanwhile, training of the various candidates for berths on the big Philippine athletic delegation to the Japan Memorial Games is going on smoothly at the Rizal Memorial stadium every day.—"Manila Bulletin."

SOCCER ELEVEN SAILS

Looking fit and feeling confident of success the Hong Kong Interport footballers boarded a ship last night for Saigon.

The sixteen players are accompanied by Messrs. C. A. Goldenberg and J. C. Guimgam as co-managers.

The players making the trip are Tam Kwan-kon, Sammy Tsang, Pryde, Forrow, Fung King-cheong, Hau Yun-sang, Lee Tin-sang, Soong Ling-sing, Lee Kwok-wai, Leung Wing-chiu, Fox, Bright, Yeung Shui-yick, Lau Tau-man, Wong King-cheong, and Guy.

HOME FOOTBALL

London, To-day.—In South "C" Division of the Football League, West Ham beat Chelsea 4-2 in a match played yesterday.

In the Rugby League, Halifax lost to Featherstone 11-23.—Reuter.

H.K.C.C. to-day: M. Pagh is expected to beat B. C. Fay in a match which should be quite interesting.

GRAPHIC GOLF



LEFT HAND GRIP

BY BEST BALL

The pressure of the left hand grip on the club shaft is firmest in the two smallest fingers. If it isn't in your particular case it should be. For a laxness in the grip here results in a laxness of stroke that easily results in a missed shot. If the club is taken back with the left hand one can almost feel the pressure that is needed at this point to make the upswing smoothly and efficiently.

There may be a tendency at the top to relax somewhat the hold these two fingers maintain on the club yet to do so courts disaster, for the alignment of the clubhead is very likely to be changed when the hold is resumed as the club is brought down. If the hips turn to the left, in conformity to good down-swing fundamentals, and the left side tension thus created starts a pull on the left arms it is this part of the hand that feels the pressure first and starts the club descending properly. Hand exercises which will develop the strength in these two members is helpful.

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Next Article. — Small Target Putting Help.

K. TONG LAWN BOWLS DRAW

Following is the draw for the annual lawn bowls championships at Kowloon Tong Garden City Association:—

SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIP

Byes into Second Round:—H. Gittins v V. N. Atienza; J. N. Wong v J. L. Stephens; A. E. H. Castro v C. J. Roe; B. Basto v A. H. Basto.

First Round:—H. A. Castro v N. A. E. Mackay.

Byes into Second Round:—W. Gittins; H. Y. Hsu v T. K. Lim; Y. Abbas v W. J. Howard; A. J. Kew v Y. H. Tang.

SINGLES HANDICAP

First Round:—W. Gittins (+8) v A. J. Kew (scr.); N. A. E. Mackay (+4) v C. J. Roe (scr.); A. H. Basto (scr.) v H. A. Castro (+4); A. E. Castro (+3) v V. N. Atienza (scr.); Y. Abbas (+3) v H. Gittins (scr.); T. K. Lim (+3) v Y. H. Tang (+4); J. L. Stephens (scr. or +8) (Bye); H. Y. Hsu (+4) v W. J. Howard (scr.) J. N. Wong (+2) (Bye).

PAIRS

J. L. Stephens and Y. H. Tang v J. N. Wong and H. A. Castro; C. J. Roe and H. Y. Hsu v H. Gittins and Y. Abbas; W. J. Howard and A. E. H. Castro v A. H. Basto and W. Gittins; A. J. Kew and T. K. Lim v V. N. Atienza and N. A. E. Mackay.

OTHER SPORTS WILL BE FOUND ON PAGE 14

H.K.E.R.C. BOWLS TEAM

The following will represent Hong Kong Electric in a lawn bowls League match against Hong Kong Cricket Club on Saturday at Ming Yuen:

W. E. Macfarlane, S. G. Gardner, J. K. Sloan and A. F. Paul (skip); V. Sorby, W. E. Baker, S. Deacon, and W. H. B. Muskett (skip); A. P. Tarbuck, R. A. Owens, C. E. Gahagan and J. F. Lunny.

ADAMSON CUP FINAL

F. Buckle (12) beat Hugh Smith (9) six and five in the final of the Adamson Cup Competition at Happy Valley on Sunday.

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GEORGE SOUZA TAKES FIELDING HONOURS: HAL WINGLEE ALSO SHINES

(By GRANDSTAND)

After trailing 3-0 for five innings, bungling six chances to the enemy's five bobbles and making one hit less, the Rambling Recs from Club de Recreio were mighty lucky to nose out, Hong Kong Ball Club, 4-3 in their charity softball tilt at Kowloon Football Club on Sunday in aid of the British War Organisation Fund. The game was a thriller and a fitting conclusion to a lengthy season.

Poor strategy on the part of mentor Henrique Barros in starting batterymen Jackie Noronha and Mike Mendonca instead of

and veteran backstop Charlie Fegueriedo almost cost Recreio the game. Jackie was nicked for four hits, walked two and allowed two earned

runs in three stanzas before he was yanked in the fourth in favour of Johnny Alvares. In four innings Johnny Alvares yielded only one single, two strike outs and one Annie Oakley.

Recreio won the toss and Ball Club batted first. Ali was disposed off for the first out when he grounded to Tony Alves at short-stop. George Souza flied to centre-fielder Caco Marques for the second erasure. A. K. Omar made a hit to left field and reached second on a wild throw by left-fielder Bertie Gosano. Dave Leonard grounded to third-sacker Lino Gosano to retire the inning.

TIGHT FIELDING

In their turn to bat Recreio had two chances to score, but tight fielding by the Leonardmen held them scoreless. Bertie Gosano worked Frankie Gonzales for a walk and reached second on a wild throw by Harold Winglee,

Nick Beltrao sacrificed a bunt for the first out and to advance Bertie to third. Lino Gosano followed and was given free transportation to first and later advanced to second. Al Alvares flied to Ali for the second putout and Mike Mendonca grounded to third base to end the canto.

In the second chapter Ball Club broke the ice with two markers on three hits and two Recreio miscues. Stan Leonard, after fouling the ball three times, reached first safely when first-sacker Al Alvares muffed a throw from short-stop Tony Alves. Jin Hussain sky-rocketed the ball to Bertie Gosano for the first down. Lefty Abbas singled to advance Stan to third, and Frankie Gonzales laid a perfect bunt to fill the bases. Harold Winglee was safe at first on a fielder's choice, but Stan Leonard was forced at home for the second out. Ali was the hero of the frame when he rapped a stinging single to chase in Lefty Abbas and Frankie Gonzales. Zinho Gosano caught a foul fly off George Souza's bat to end the inning.

Score: Ballmen 2, Recreio 0.

BOTH SIDES BLANKED

In the third, frame Recreio were blanked in one-two-three order. Tony Alves grounded to first base for the first out. Caco Marques dumped one and was safe at first but in trying to pilfer second he was nailed at the keystone by George Souza, assisted by hind-satcher Harold Winglee. Zinho Gosano grounded to short-stop for third out. Ball Club were also blinked in this canto, although they had two base-runners in scoring positions.

In the fourth both teams were scoreless. In the fifth Ballmen pushed another run when George Souza romped home on a wild throw by Bertie Gosano and a wild heave by Nick Beltrao to the hot corner.

The thrills and excitement came in the eventful sixth inning. Ball Club were blanked in this stanza. With the score 3-0 in favour of Ballmen it looked as if the tilt was in the bag for the Leonardmen, but at this stage the Ballmen cracked up and chucker Frank Gonzales was more than rattled on the mound. Bertie Gosano started off in the sixth with a double, which turned out to be the only long-distance blow of the fray, and came home on Winglee's wild throw. Nick Beltrao beat a bunt and came home on a wild heave by Frankie Gonzales off Lino Gosano's bunt. "Spotty" Pereira reached first on a fielder's choice and Lino scored on the play.

The score was now knotted 3-3.

T. LEONARD CAUSES DEBACLE

Charlie Fegueriedo flied foul to Winglee for the first erasure and "Spotty" should have been out on a double play if Jin Hussain had had his foot on the cushion after catching Harold's throw. Tony Alves sacrificed a grounder to third base and advanced "Spotty" to second. "Spotty" kept on going when he saw that the hot corner was not guarded. For no good reason at all Terry Leonard, who was not in the game, was cavorting around the third base bag waving his hand in excitement and Jin Hussain, at first base and seeing someone in Ball Club uniform waving frantically, let go a perfect throw to third and of course the ball went wild without anyone there to receive it. "Spotty" thus ambled home with the winning tally.

Fielding honours went to George Souza, who covered the windy alley like a million dollars, taking six chances without a bobble. George is a second baseman by rights, but he is also a qualified short-stop. Although making two errors, one of which proved to be very costly, Hal Winglee played a good game behind the bat, allowing none of the opposition to pilfer second or third.

Scores were:

Recreio	0	0	0	0	0	4	x	4	6
Ball Club	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	3	5

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A. B. PURVES,
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Public Works Department.
Hong Kong, 29th April, 1940.

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The SHARE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from 17th April to 3rd MAY, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
A. W. HUGHES,
General Manager.
Hong Kong, 2nd April, 1940.

THE INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED

NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING

The Fifty-ninth Ordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the Offices of the General Managers, Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Pedder Street, Hong Kong, on THURSDAY, 30th May, 1940, at noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, passing the Accounts, and electing Directors and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from the 23rd May to 13th June inclusive.

By order of the Board,
JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD.
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Hong Kong, 16th April, 1940.

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By Order,

C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 29th April, 1940.

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On View from Monday, the 29th April, 1940.

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LAMMERT BROS.,
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Hong Kong, 25th April, 1940.

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(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

LONDON, To-day.
THE GERMAN SEIZURE OF ALL DENMARK'S FOOD PRODUCTION LENDS CONSIDERABLE IMPORTANCE TO THE ANGLO-IRISH TRADE PARLEYS WHICH STARTED YESTERDAY.

It is recalled that in January, Britain and Eire concluded agreements providing for British imports of Irish beef, mutton and bacon.

The Dominions Minister, Mr. Anthony Eden, presided over the first conference, at which the Eire delegates were Mr. Egan Lemass (Minister for Supplies) and Mr. James Ryan (Minister for Agriculture). — Havas.

GERMANS STOPPED EVERYWHERE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.
The latest communiques from Norway are considered more favourable. The Germans, who had the stronger forces at first, have been stopped practically everywhere.

The fact that the Allies are establishing more air bases is considered an important factor. — Havas.

MANCHUKUO DECREE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Tientsin, To-day.
Thousands of White Russian emigrants residing in Manchukuo will become Manchukuo citizens if the Hsinking Government decides to promulgate a decree by which all persons without citizenship residing in Manchukuo will be registered as Manchukuo subjects.

According to the vernacular press

QUISLINGS FADE OUT

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Paris, To-day.
Norway's "Quisling group" has been gravely disappointed by the evolution of events, reports reaching here state.

Instead of the high offices and great powers they had expected, they have been forced to take a back seat.

The average Norwegian citizen is not taking kindly to the curtailing of food and the other restrictions imposed. — Havas.

KEEPING UP MORALE ON HOME FRONT

Berlin, To-day.

A German High Command communique claims that two British cruisers and 11 transports totalling 50,000 tons have been sunk or severely damaged during the past two days.

(This is officially denied by the Admiralty in London.)

The same communique says that three Allied planes on an airfield between Andalsnes and Dombaas were destroyed by bombs. Two German planes are missing. — Reuter.

JOACHIM BEWILDERS ESTHONIA

Tallinn, To-day.

Ribbentrop's declaration on Saturday that Sweden was maintaining her neutrality came as a surprise to Esthonian circles although they agree that the statement is based on fact.

At the same time, they point out that recently the German press has been attacking Sweden, on the ground that she was not maintaining her neutral attitude! — Reuter.

the decree has already been drawn up. — Havas.

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London, To-day.

The necessity of building up a superiority in the air in Norway if the Allies are to overcome the initial advantage gained by the Germans through their treacherous invasion is again stressed by several newspapers.

They emphasize that the campaign will be hard but express no doubt about its successful outcome for the Allies.

The repulse of German attacks north of Steinkjer is noted as an encouraging factor.

One or two newspapers are eager to hear a statement from Mr. Chamberlain emphasizing the Governments' decisions to pursue the Norwegian operations with resolution despite all difficulties.

"The Times" says:—"The Allies will pass through a stern testing time. Although the invading columns have not yet joined hands with the defenders at Trondheim, it will be no easy task to prevent their junction."

"From coast to coast, our command of the sea has secured to the Allied Armies the greater freedom of movement, but to extend that freedom over the whole area of conflict sea-power must be supplemented by superiority in the air."

"To build up that superiority is, therefore, the underlying necessity of the whole Norwegian campaign."

"In these circumstances, our soldiers in Norway are faced with an uphill task. That fact has already become patent to the peoples of the Allied countries, but they have shown that they are in no wise daunted."

"During last week, more especially when the news was unfavourable, it was apparent that that atmosphere of deepening determination which is always felt in England when difficulties are ahead was most clearly seen to be formidable."

The "Daily Telegraph" also stresses the difficulties confronting the Allies in Norway, and, after observing that the power of the Allied Navies to interrupt German communications will remain one of the major features of the campaign, goes on:—

"We are far from the end yet. The utmost effort that the Allies can develop by sea, land and air will be needed to punish the German outrage on Norway with the crushing defeat that it deserves." — Reuter.

New York, To-day.

A statement issued from Mrs. Roosevelt's home makes light of her indisposition and adds that medical treatment has not been required. — Reuter.

Shanghai, To-day.

Seven members of the crew, including the captain and comrade, of the Jardine steamer Lee Sang, who were detained by the Japanese authorities at Tientsin on April 23 when a quantity of silver and 40,000 yen was discovered on board, have been released after interrogation, says a report to the "Shun Pao." As no-one claimed the silver and yen, which was apparently being smuggled from Tientsin to Shanghai, they were confiscated by the Japanese authorities, the report says. — Reuter.

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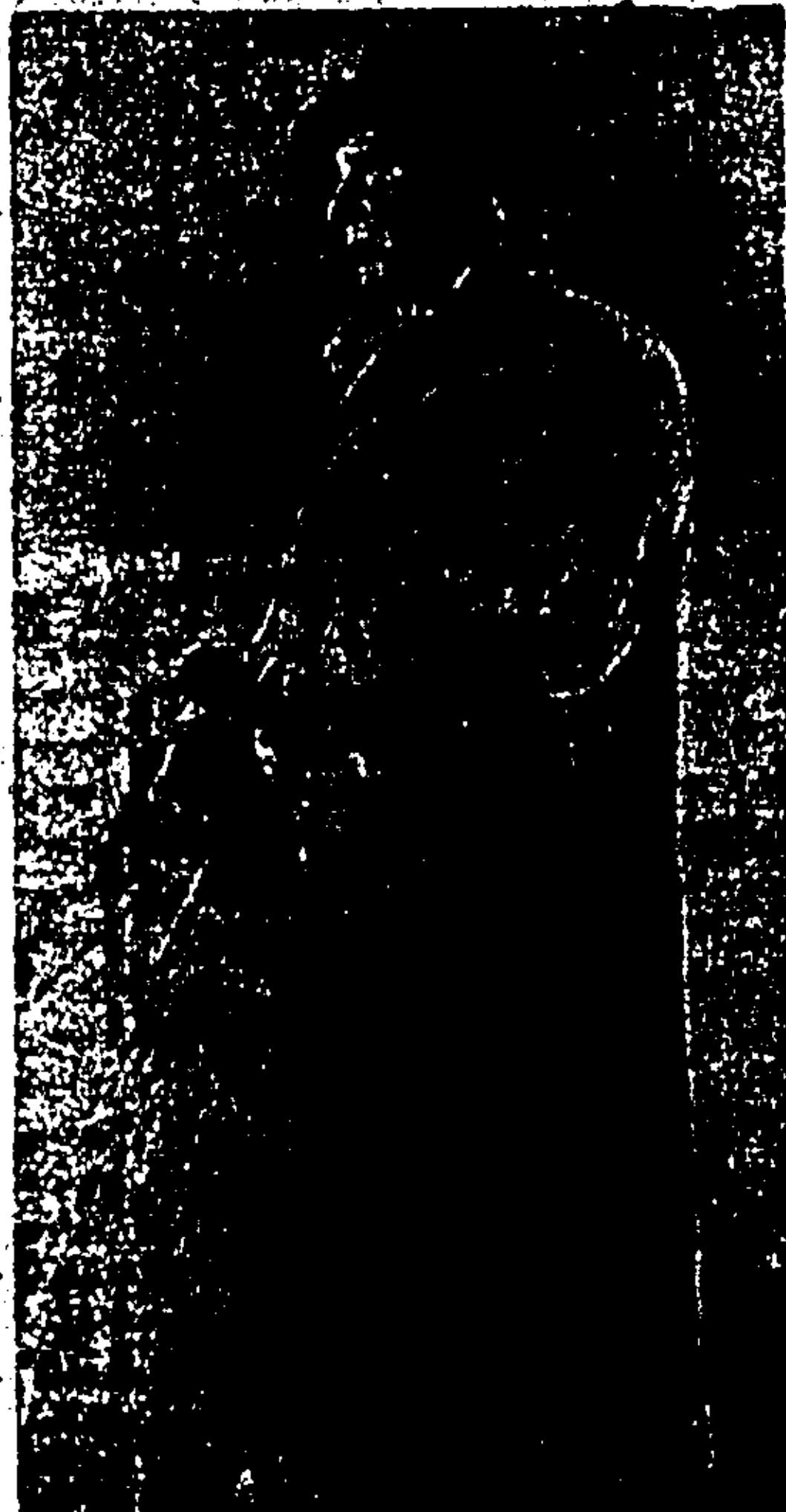
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